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## Air-Ground Maneuvers Speed Up

### Hot Dogs Go Good After Tank Warfare in Libya



You'd smile, too, if you were eating the first "hot dogs" you've seen in a long time, as are these crack members of the Armored Force, recently returned from battle in Libya, where they were sent by the headquarters of Uncle Sam's mechanized divisions to actually engage in tank battles and report

on the performance of the M-3 Medium 28-ton tanks under fire. In the desert, the thing men missed most was coffee, being with the British, they had plenty of tea. Left to right: Sgt. William Hick, Jr., Collingdale, Pa.; Cpl. Martin Johnson, New York City; Cpl. Carl C. Mapes, Akron, Ohio. The entire group got promotions of one grade.

### Ground Forces Staff Changes Announced

Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general, the Army Ground Forces, has announced further Army Ground Forces staff changes with the appointment of Col. William L. Mitchell, as secretary to the General Staff, and Lt. Col. John W. Wurts, as chief of the Ground Statistics Section. Colonel Mitchell and Lieutenant Colonel Wurts replace Maj. Robert A. Hewitt, and Lt. Col. Edwin B. Howard.

Col. John M. Lentz replaces Brig. Gen. Lloyd D. Brown as assistant chief of staff, G-3 (Operations and Training).

Others on the Ground Staff include: Col. Alexander R. Bolling, G-1 (Personnel); Lt. Col. Giles R. Carpenter, G-2 (Military Intelligence); Brig. Gen. Willard S. Paul, G-4 (Supply, Evacuation, Transportation, and Construction); Maj. Gen. Richard C. Moore, Requirements Section (Development, Organization, Equipment, and Training Publications); and Col. John S. Winn, Jr., Field Artillery (Plans).

The Special Staff chiefs are Col. Clyde L. Hyssong, Ground Adjutant General's Section; Col. Thomas J. Ford, Ground Chemical Section; Col. John B. Hughes, Ground Engineer Section; Col. Thomas F. Bresnahan, Ground Headquarters Commandant; Col. Donald T. Nelson, Ground Fiscal Section; Col. Frederick A. Blesse, Ground Medical Section; Col. Edward V. Macatee, Ground Quartermaster Section; and Col. Richard B. Moran, Ground Signal Section.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

FORT KNOX, Ky.—The first three crack American tank teams to see action against General Rommel's troops, 16 men and three officers, have returned to Fort Knox to eat their first "hot dogs" since leaving the States and tell Maj. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Chief of Armored Force, just how effective U. S. Tanks and training stand up against the Germans and Italians.

On arriving at the post, the enlisted men had lunch at Headquarters Company of the Armored Force, consisting of the typical Army staples, hot dogs, beans, and potatoes, while the officers, Lt. Col. Lewis H. Hamm, Capt. Harold I. Holderman, and Lt. Herbert J. Cannon also lunched on Army staples. Later, they were interviewed by General Devers and members of his staff. The men described vividly their experiences with the M-3 Medium 28-ton tanks, dubbed "General Grants" by the British, who have been using them for some months in Libya.

From Ft. Knox, these men will go to the different Armored Divisions stationed all over the United States, to give officers and men the benefit of their experiences under fire. It is expected that much valuable tactical information will be brought to light and incorporated into Armored Force maneuvers.

Tanned by the 110-degree African sun, and in good health, none of these boys, who were in Tobruk the day before it fell, seemed any the worse for their 28,000 mile round trip by air and their long days in battle.

From May 29th, when the British began their big push, until June 25th, when they withdrew from the battle, these tough "Armoreders" were constantly under fire. "We were so busy loading our guns, driving, and taking care of all the things you have to do in a tank that we didn't even have time to be afraid," said Staff Sgt. William Z. Fralish of Alton, Ala., one of the tank commanders. "But when the enemy laid down a barrage, we thought all hell broke loose."

They found the Aussies and the British extremely friendly. "Bully beef and biscuits" comprised the main items of their battle rations, washed down with the ever-present tea. "We brewed it when we got up in the morning, and even in the tanks," remarked Gerard Lagasse of Rocking Beach, N.Y., a 75-mm. gunner in one of the tanks.

Most of the men agreed the things they missed most were coffee and

showers. Twice they went swimming in pools, once in Tobruk.

The water ration was one canteen per man daily. Using only half a canteen, a man learned to wash, shave, and rinse out some socks. When new recruits from the rear were sent up and began to wash their canteen cups out with the precious fluid, the men returning from battle bawled them out unmercifully.

Each man was issued 50 cigarettes a week, but beer was scarce. Cans of American beer sold for 30 cents each, and when opened, they gushed forth so quickly that a man was lucky to get two swallows.

Opinions of Maj. Henry Cabot Lodge were unanimous. "They don't come any finer," the boys agreed. Sgt. William Hick, Jr., of Collingdale, Pa., a tank driver, said, "He was always there when we needed him."

The best news of all came from General Devers, who announced that each man had been promoted one grade, and issued warrants while they were gathered in his office.

Despite the rigors of battle, there was always a touch of U. S. humor to help the men out of trying spots. One incident was provided by Gerard Lagasse, who missed his plane to the States and had to hitch-hike from Matruh to Cairo. His attempts to talk to the Free French soldiers were described by his ribbing comrades.

### Frogs Don't Wait

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—It's the frogs, not the bugler, that gets 'em up in the morning here, especially the 326th Infantry, camping in the fields while hutments are being built.

In fact the frogs don't wait till morning but start in as soon as the boys go to bed. Then about midnight the cows in wandering herds start to bellow out love songs. Or maybe they're sore at the frogs, too.

### Second Air Problem Under Way

Special to Army Times

SOMEWHERE IN THE CAROLINAS—The second problem of the Air Ground Maneuvers opens Monday, August 3 and will last through Wednesday, August 5. Increased coordination of all units will be stressed.

Today (Saturday) a critique was held on the first Air Ground problem which ended Friday. The problem was primarily one of attack by numerically superior forces against a smaller force.

The Reds being the smaller defending force, established an organized defense, which the Blues had as their mission, the job of locating, fixing their position and destroying them.

By mid-afternoon Wednesday Reconnaissance units of both forces had made contact and skirmishing between increasing heavier units was evident. By Thursday the attack of the Blues was rapidly developing with the Reds seeking increasing use of their artillery in which for the first time in Carolina "Grasshopper" observation planes were used.

Red units had but a small Air Force to assist its ground forces, however. Their troops were made up of Light Cavalry, Tank Destroyers and Field Artillery. The Blues included both Motorized and Armored Forces among their units as well as a superior air force.

When Air Force bombers and fighters joined the Red and Blue forces in the VI Army Corps Maneuvers in the Carolinas Wednesday (July 29, 1942) it marked another step in the Army's streamlined program designed to eliminate all matters not essential to the quick, modern and complete training of the American soldier.

The Ground-Air Support units taking part in the maneuver, which is directed by Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley, were in the area on Monday preparing for their tasks with the two forces.

#### Heads "Flying Artillery"

Col. Guy Lewis McNeil, Chief of the air units taking part in the three week "warfare," had his forces divided for the first problem—July 29-31—between Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker's outnumbered Red troops and the motorized and armored command of the Blues under command of Maj. Gen. Alvan C. Gillem, Jr.

Discussing the maneuvers, Colonel McNeil said the key task of the Air Force on these problems is to serve as "flying artillery."

"We operate with the Ground Forces in the thick of combat," he said. "Ground-Air support is unlike other elements of the Army Air Forces, such as the interceptor or bomber commands in that we work directly with a major ground component, such as the Red or Blue forces. The result of such ground-air teamwork is a tremendously effective striking arm."

"One of our big jobs in these maneuvers will be the observation for the ground troops, providing them with key information on enemy movements." (Continued on Page 8)

### AAF "G's" Are Out

The War Department announced this week that the "A" system of nomenclature as used to designate the divisions of the air staff, headquarters, Army Air Forces will hereafter be used instead of the "G" system of nomenclature to designate the corresponding divisions in the staffs of Air Forces and tactical commands and wings as follows:

- A. A-1, Personnel.
- B. A-2, Intelligence.
- C. A-3, Operations and training.
- D. A-4, Material and supply.

This change in nomenclature does not alter the present War Department policy regarding the detail of General Staff Corps officers with troops to any division of a staff.

### Ordnance Gets Motor Transport

Design, purchase, and maintenance of motor vehicles are being centralized under the Chief of Ordnance, the War Department announced today. Formerly the responsibility was divided, with the Quartermaster Corps supervising the procurement and maintenance of general vehicles, such as trucks, and the Ordnance Department having authority over combat vehicles, such as tanks. The change will be completed August 1, 1942.

An indication of the far-reaching character of the change can be gained from the fact that more than 30,000 of Army personnel—12,000 military and 18,000 civilian—will be subject to assignment to the Ordnance Department.

Practically the entire personnel of the motor transport service, military and civilian, both in Washington and in the field, will be assigned to duty in the Ordnance Department. Military personnel may apply for transfer to the Ordnance Department. Officers not transferred to Ordnance will be reassigned to Quartermaster duties when their services are no longer required in Motor Transport activities. Several hundred thousand motor vehicles are involved.

The net result of the centralization of control will be:

1. The research, design, development, procurement, storage and distribution of motor vehicles, whether general or combat, will be under the Chief of Ordnance.

2. Both general and combat vehicles will be serviced in the same Ordnance repair shops and by the same mechanics, both here and abroad.

3. The Quartermaster Corps will now be able to concentrate primarily on the feeding and clothing of troops.

The Quartermaster Corps formerly designed, procured and maintained a variety of motor vehicles. The Ordnance Department handles only combat vehicles, such as tanks, armored cars, half-track personnel carriers and the like.



# Corps Areas Now Service Commands

Reorganization of the nine Corps Areas of the Army, and redesignation of them as "Service Commands," is announced by the War Department. The reorganization was ordered on July 22 by Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, commanding general, Services of Supply, with a twofold purpose as follows:

1. To decentralize further the operation of activities of the Services of Supply by increasing the authority of commanding generals in the field and by giving them proportionately increased responsibility.

2. To improve and streamline the field organizations by eliminating duplicating facilities.

The Service Commands supervise the Army camps and posts, service the troops with supplies and equipment, induct the new selectees, and generally handle the administrative details necessary to maintaining a large Army.

Comprehensive instructions have been issued to all commanding generals in the new Service Commands, redefining and redesignating duties, in order that their supply and administrative functions may be geared completely to wartime operation.

## Changes in Allotment

The administration and housekeeping of all troops in the respective areas is now centered in the new Service Commands. Under the new plan, money will be allotted in one lump sum to each Service Command. Formerly money was allotted to each of the units within the Corps Area by its parent unit in Washington. This change will result in extensive simplification of fiscal and accounting work.

The reorganization of the Corps Areas has been under study since March 9, when the Army was reorganized into three Commands, the Services of Supply, the Ground Forces, and the Air Forces. Since that date the Corps Areas have been under command of the Services of Supply.

## Portly Officers Walk It Off in the 78th

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Portly officers are out of style, or luck, in the 78th Division. Rather, they aren't going to be portly any more.

Three days each week every staff officer does road work, starting with long moderate walks, until each member can do a 25 mile march under any conditions. General Parker and his chief of staff are setting the pace.

"Officers in this division," says General Parker, "are going to be leaders as well as instructors. I shall expect them to be able, not only to do anything they ask of a soldier, but to do it better."

There will be no change in the geographical boundaries, the new Service Commands covering the same territory as the old Corps Areas. The numerals used to designate the Corps Areas will also be continued, so that the First Corps Area will now be known as the First Service Command. Since October 8, 1940, Corps Area commanders have had no tactical responsibility. That responsibility continues to rest with the Ground Forces and Air Forces officers.

## Nine Services of Supply

In effect, the reorganization creates nine autonomous Services of Supply in the field, each to function under the direction of the commanding general, Services of Supply in Washington, but each a self-functioning unit responsible for servicing the troops of each area.

"One early and tangible result of this reorganization," General Somervell wrote in his July 22 order, "must be the maximum utilization of existing personnel with a consequent reduction in the number of officers and civilians on duty at Service Command headquarters and installations."

"Within the framework of this reorganization, commanders of Service Commands are given and are expected to exercise maximum initiative in the efficient and businesslike organization of details."

"It must be remembered that organization alone will not achieve the results demanded of Service Commands in this war. The best available men must be selected for each major job and must be given full authority and responsibility for its performance. Commanders must be ruthless in relieving men who do not produce efficient and prompt results."

"Above all there must be an all-pervading and unswerving resolve to execute successfully the grave duties and responsibilities imposed upon us by this war regardless of personal sacrifices and hours of work. No mere reorganization can accomplish this. Commanders of Service Commands must instill this resolve in each of their subordinates by personal example and by exercising to the utmost, with aggressiveness and a bold disregard for anachronistic precedents, the authority delegated to them to accomplish their mission."

## Top-Ranking Specialist Corps Officers Get Appointments

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Some of the top-ranking officers of the newly-formed Army Specialist Corps have been designated by President Roosevelt. The names of the 11, including six Corps Area Directors, who will rank as colonels, were sent to the Senate during the past week confirmation. These seven, with their home town and assignment were:

Thomas F. Sullivan, Boston, Mass., First Corps Area. William Wallace Lanahan, Baltimore, Md., Third Corps Area. George H. Trautman, Columbus, Ohio, Fifth Corps Area. Robert Abbe Gardner, Chicago, Ill., Sixth Corps Area. Samuel Williams Reynolds, Omaha, Neb., Seventh Corps Area. William B. Tuttle, San Antonio, Tex., Eighth Corps Area.

Appointments have not yet been made for the Second, Fourth and Ninth Corps Areas.

The Senate also received from the President the following additional nominations for the Army Specialist Corps:

Emmett F. Connely, Detroit, Mich., Chief of Field Service, colonel. John H. Zabel, Washington, D. C., Assistant Chief, Field Service, Army Specialist Corps, lieutenant colonel. William Elton Jeffrey, Grant County, Wis., Engineer consultant, Chemical Warfare Service, Services of Supply, lieutenant colonel. Joseph William Kerr, Glen Ridge, N. J., liaison officer, lieutenant colonel. David W. K. Peacock, New York City, liaison officer, lieutenant colonel.

Corps Area Directors, who will have the title of colonel in the Army Specialist Corps, will represent the Corps in the states which comprise the Corps Areas. They will coordinate with and assist personnel procurement plans and procedures of the Corps and will also coordinate the activities of the Army Specialist Corps within the Corps Areas with the Corps Commanders of the Army.

They will also communicate directly with business, professional and



"TAKE A LETTER," says Russell Peck, Red Cross official, to Miss Patricia Hartnett, Red Cross worker, posing as his secretary. They are demonstrating a new type portable desk, designed by Peck, which is to be part of the equipment of Red Cross field directors serving with the armed forces overseas. The field desk can be set up anywhere in a couple of minutes. Built by the Red Cross, it weighs only 15 pounds and has room for a portable typewriter, paper and writing material. Peck conceived his idea some time ago while on maneuvers with the troops.

## New Ordnance Center At Flora, Miss.

WASHINGTON, W. C.—A new ordnance training center will be established at Flora, Miss., the War Department announced.

The training center will house 300 officers, several thousand enlisted men. The newest echelon in Ordnance, the Ordnance Regiment, will be formed and trained there. The units will operate base shops for repair of weapons and combat vehicles in the field.

## General Deerfield Is Also a Private

JEFFERSON BARRACKS, Mo.—From general to private—the private is a general—well, anyway, there is a private in the Army who really is a general.

The private's name is General W. Deerfield and he's stationed at the Air Forces Replacement Training Center at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Deerfield, however, has a rather pointed reply to the wags who josh him about his commanding first name. His great grandfather was a general in the Confederate Army.

Industrial organizations and leaders within the Corps Areas to inform them of Army Specialist Corps operations, and enlist their assistance and cooperation in its functions of supplying the needs of the Army with technicians and specialists.

Corps Area Directors will supervise a Corps Area staff of the Army Specialist Corps to be established at each of the Corps Area Headquarters of the Army.

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## Medical Corps Doubles Frees Doctors Of Desk Jobs

Army Medical Corps officers now engaged in administrative duties will be reassigned to posts in which their professional medical training can be utilized to the fullest extent, the War Department announced this week.

Several hundred Medical Corps officers will be freed for professional duties by this move. At present they are engaged in such administrative posts as adjutants, inspectors, mess officers and numerous other duties imposed upon them by the expansion of Medical Corps facilities.

Doctors will be replaced by officers of the Medical Administrative Corps, a branch of the Army trained to fill these duties now requiring the services of doctors.

For the most part, officers of the Medical Administrative Corps are drawn from the enlisted ranks of the Medical Corps, many of them non-commissioned officers with years of experience in administrative operation of hospitals.

Civilians above the age of 30 who are qualified in hospital administration by training and experience may be commissioned in the Medical Administrative Corps. After an indoctrination course of one month, they are assigned directly to their posts. Several officer candidate schools are now in operation and will produce enough graduates by September 1, 1942, to free a considerable number of doctors from administrative tasks.

## Bombproof Tabernacle

By Sgt. Arthur Barschdorf

WITH THE 43RD INFANTRY DIVISION, CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Bombs and bullets will do no harm to the Blessed Sacrament in the 172nd Vermont Infantry of the 43rd Division because Chaplain John P. Mahoney has just received a bombproof tabernacle for the Holy Eucharist, purchased from money donated by the men in the Green Mountain Regiment. It cost nearly \$100.

The tabernacle is made of strong bomb-resistant steel and will be used to protect the Blessed Sacrament on maneuvers and on the field of battle.

Purchase of the tabernacle is not the first generous response of the men in the 172nd for furnishings in their chapel. They have given money on many occasions for altar carpets, flowers, new vestments, candles and wine.

Chaplain Mahoney said that much credit should be given to the Vermont Knights of Columbus which has donated several thousand prayer books and also money for the tabernacle.

Chaplain Mahoney added that the men have agreed that, if the tabernacle can not be taken on maneuvers and overseas, it will be given to one of the poorer missions in Vermont.

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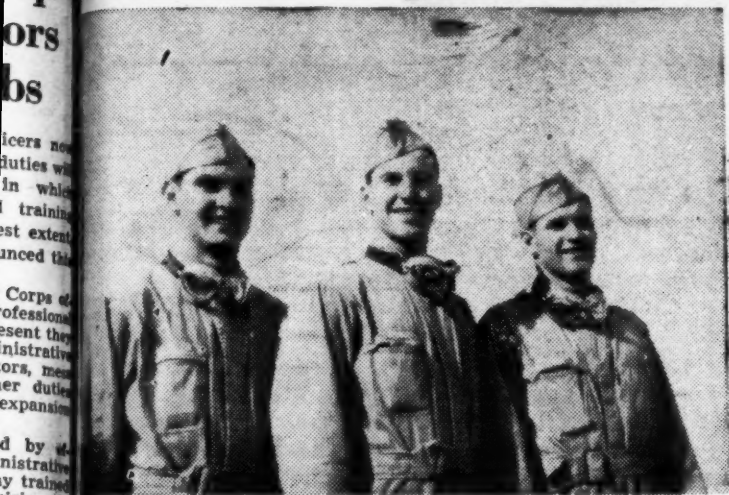
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## Double and Triple Threats Developing at Sequoia Field



SEQUOIA FIELD, Calif.—Double and triple Air Force striking power is being developed at Sequoia Field, one of the far-flung Air Force primary training fields operating in the great Central Valley in California under supervision of the West Coast Air Force Training Center, Santa Ana.

The double striking power is represented in identical twins, Robert H. and Howard I. Sinnamon, 21, of Philadelphia, Pa. The triple threat is the McConnell trio, Fred J. McConnell, 24, Edwin M. McConnell, 21, and Thomas L. McConnell, 19, of Wichita, Kan.

They are all aviation cadets, grinding away on a determined all-out schedule in the initial phase of the vital production of pilots and air-crew-men.

While there are several sets of twins in the Air Forces, the Sinnamons have the same pulse and same blood count. They look alike and think alike and their principal thought is that they will develop into twin trouble for the Axis. If they fail to come up to eventual standards as pilots, they hope they'll get a chance as navigators.

It took oldest brother Fred McConnell just 30 seconds to convince Edwin and Thomas that the three should enter the Air Corps. That was last January, on Edwin's birthday, when he was a student at Michigan State. The proposal was made over the telephone. They are of a family of nine children.

Like the twins, the brotherly trio subsequently were assigned to Sequoia Field, to begin flight training.

## Bob Wasn't There Army Buys Books

FORT NIAGARA, N. Y.—Sgt. Bob Nugent, star pitcher on the Fort Niagara baseball team, may well be called "The Little Man Who Wasn't There!"

His name was called as the winner of a bank nite prize of \$200 in a theater in Syracuse, N. Y., the other evening. Only Sgt. Bob couldn't collect because he wasn't there.

At that moment, he was on the post diamond hurling batting practice for his soldier mates.

Four million books of all types will be bought by the Army during the next year. From January to June, 1942, more than 1,200,000 were purchased at an estimated cost of \$1,500,000.

Books are now requisitioned from publishers and jobbers listed as low bidders on contract bulletins which are furnished post, camp or station libraries. Books are also ordered by special service officers charged with morale duties.

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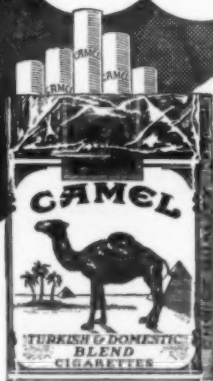
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## 78th Division Gets Full Quota Of Officers

HEADQUARTERS, 78TH DIVISION, CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Major Edwin P. Parker, Jr., commanding general of the 78th (Lightning) Division, has welcomed the new complement of officers he will lead in combat and challenged them to surpass the efforts most of them have already shown in rising from the ranks to become commissioned officers.

Speaking at a meeting of the officers recently assigned to the division, General Parker outlined what he would expect of the officers in developing their men into first-class fighting troops.

"Not many weeks ago, most of you served in the ranks," General Parker said. "Through your own efforts, you were selected to attend Officer-Candidate schools and have been rewarded with the commission which you now hold. Your work has begun."

"We have the privilege and the job of organizing and training a new division. What you do will have a marked effect on the development of the division."

"You are here to be leaders. You must be able to do everything your enlisted men do, and do it better. They will look to you for leadership and training, and you must be leaders."

"You must know your job, because if you do not know it, you cannot instruct. If you cannot instruct, the 78th Division cannot be the best division in the Army. And the 78th must be the best division in the Army. You will have to train, encourage and inspire your men with your own knowledge and your own character."

"The training of the men and the respect their leaders earn will be reflected when they go into action," General Parker declared, "If they

## So He Joins Paratroops

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—They took his horse so he decided to ride the air.

When Cpl. Walter Barnett enlisted in the cavalry, he didn't know that they were going to mechanize the outfit. Now he is joining the paratroops to ride the bumps in the stratosphere.

Barnett was finalist for Camp Bowie at the Fort Worth Golden Gloves meet after winning the boxing tourney at Brownwood.

## Just Between Us Soldiers

GRAY FIELD, FORT LEWIS, Wash.—A young man had just enlisted, been fitted out with clothing, etc., and reported to his 1st sergeant. The sergeant looked at his watch and told the recruit "You can go to town for the balance of the day. Remember this, you are in the Army now and conduct yourself like a real soldier. Report at 6 a.m. tomorrow."

The soldier started for town. In crossing the parade ground he passed a major. The recruit didn't know a major from a latrine guard. He didn't salute.

The major, realizing that the man was a recruit, called to him and said, "You have just enlisted, haven't you?"

"Yes, how do you like my uniform?"

"You look like a soldier," said the major.

"Gee, you must have been in the Army a long time to have all those ribbons on your chest."

"Yes, I've been in the Army a good many years," the major said.

"Say," said the recruit, "Do you ever take a drink?"

"Yes, occasionally I take a social glass," replied the major.

"Well, the recruit said 'come on over behind that building. I've got a bottle here on my hip.'"

The major couldn't stand for that. He called out, "Corporal of the Guard."

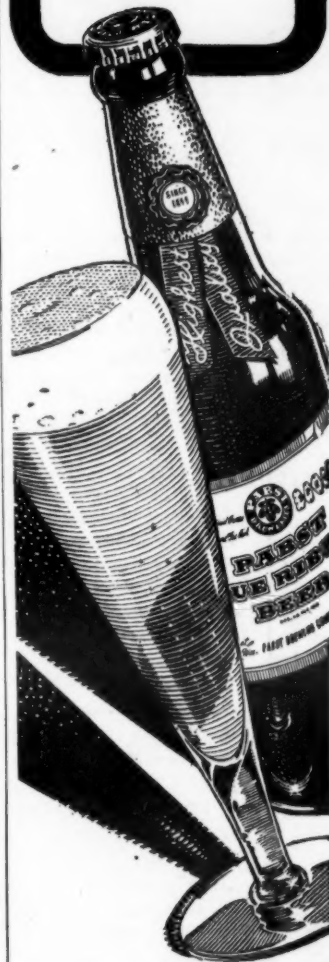
The recruit said, "Sh—sh—don't invite your friends, there's only enough for the two of us!"

## One Family Army

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—1st. Sgt. Carl Vought, Jr., Co. C, 109th Infantry, thinks nothing of being in the same company his father served in as top-kick in World War I. His brother, uncle, and a brother-in-law, as well as his father, are now in the armed forces. His father won the purple heart in the World War. When brother John enlisted in the Marine Corps recently, he was accepted by his brother-in-law, Recruiting Sgt. Paul E. Dawe.

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### The Quirks of Fate . . .

War plays funny and often cruel pranks on man. Here's a most unusual story, a soldier who must fight against his father and brothers. Pvt. William Heinrich of the 782nd technical school squadron at the Army Air Base, Lincoln, Neb., a loyal American citizen and proud to wear the uniform of the country he loves, must some day face his father in the greatest of all struggles.

Heinrich, born in Cincinnati, returned with his family to Germany in 1912. There he attended school and became a German citizen. But, when brutality overshadowed kindness, William Heinrich remembered the peace and freedom that was his homeland. So, in 1932, the year that Hitler was rising to the peak of triumph, Heinrich made his way to the land and life that he loved more than his parent's fatherland.

In America again he found happiness, working as a musician, watching free people dancing and happy.

When World War II broke in Europe, Heinrich felt apart from it, until he heard that his two brothers had joined the German air force. His family was again embroiled in war. After using the younger men, the German army turned to the older generation. His father is fighting again for the fatherland.

Now that we, too, are again at war, Heinrich, as an American citizen has taken his stand to fight for the freedom he loves.

Perhaps fate will step in and divert the paths of William Heinrich and his father and brothers, so they may never have to meet on the field of battle.

### The Army Institute

Don't overlook the correspondence instruction now available to enlisted men on active duty more than four months, announced last week in *Army Times*. The program makes the Army Institute a potential university of millions of students, with its campus extending around the world. Seventy-five leading colleges and universities are cooperating, making their extension courses available, through the Army Institute, Madison, Wis.

If you missed the details in last week's *Army Times*, send us a postcard for an extra copy (no charge) or write direct to Army Institute, Madison, Wis., if you do not obtain the information at your own camp, post or station.

### Are You Out of Books?

Several of us on the staff of *Army Times* have more books than we need. Books that we have collected over the years, some very good ones, others well worth reading.

If you're out of books, and located so you cannot readily come by them, let us know what kind of books you like, and we'll loan you some of ours. You can return them later or pass them along to someone else. No charge for this service.

### Microfilm Army Records All the Way Back to 1912

The centralized system for micro-filming, supervising and disposing of non-current records of the War Department and of the Army, which was recently established by Maj. Gen. James A. Ullo, The Adjutant General, is now in successful operation. Col. Thomas M. Spaulding, who for the past year has been working on the task of disposal of records, has been designated as director of records, to take administrative charge of the new system.

One auxiliary operation has been at work for several weeks arrange-

ing the muster rolls and rosters of all Army organizations for the period from 1912 through 1938. These documents which have become fragile through years of frequent use will be preserved permanently on a master film to be deposited in the special film vaults of the National Archives. For reference use, the Adjutant General's Office will be furnished a duplicate film condensing into two ordinary size file cabinets paper records which now occupy approximately 4000 square feet of floor space.

## LETTERS

### Unites Friends

To The Editors:

A picture of the Swiss-born Frank twins, Henry and Werner, of Camp Shelby, Miss., that appeared in a recent issue of *Army Times* resulted in their reunion, by letter, with a friend whom they hadn't seen since their school days in Switzerland.

The friend, Pfc. Sidney Fast, now stationed at Camp Croft, S. C., had lost track of the Frank twins when they left Switzerland for this country in 1938. Reading through the copy of *Army Times*, Fast ran across the picture and the article about them.

Oddly, enough, Fast is attached to MP headquarters station complement, Camp Croft, as is Henry Frank. The Frank twins are corporals. Werner is an X-ray technician with the recruiting and induction station. Fast, also a native of Switzerland, came to this country several years ago.—Loftus.

### Striped Youngsters

In the July 18 issue of *Army Times* there appeared an article under caption "At 23, Adams Man Makes 1st Sergeant."

I do not wish to take issue with Fort Adams, but at the Medical Replacement Training Center at Camp Pickett, we have the following:

First Sgt. Raymond G. Moroz, age 21.

First Sgt. John P. Mitrega, age 21.

Master Sgt. William F. Colebank, age 23.

Tech. Sgt. Vincent V. Morga, age 24.

Tech. Sgt. William F. Thaxton, age 23.

Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Roffman, age 23.

Staff Sgt. Floyd Taylor, age 23.

Two of these men, First Sergeants Moroz and Mitrega, have been first sergeants for one year, both having been promoted to that grade at the age of 20.

Master Sergeant Colebank has been sergeant major of the MRTC for the past year.

I feel the above warrants these men being placed in with the "Youngest in the Nation."

Maj. Henry L. Taylor,  
Unit Personnel Officer,  
Camp Pickett, Va.

### Sergeant (T) at 20

Dear Sir:

We were interested in the story on page seven of your July 18th issue which offered kudos to Sgt. Salisbury as being one of the nation's youngest sergeants. Naturally, we have the urge to put forth our candidate for outstanding youthful successes, Sgt. Cletus E. King of Vincennes, Ind.

Sergeant King, now twenty, was appointed technical sergeant two days after his birthday on June 10th of this year. Two weeks later he became first sergeant of the Station Hospital, Camp Forrest, Tennessee, which staffs the one-thousand bed hospital. He enlisted at Fort Benjamin Harrison in October, 1940, received training at Forts Knox and Custer and was sent to Camp Forrest on the original hospital cadre in January of last year. Since then, his advancement has been rapid, yet he hasn't jumped a grade.

I send this information to you as it appears that you have the beginning of a laurels-bestowing column. James E. Condon, Tech. 4th Gr., Station Hospital, Camp Forrest, Tenn.

### "BOSSSED 13 GIRLS"

## Many More Than Doctor, Lawyer, Merchant, etc.

By CPL. GERALD ROSENBAUM

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—An afternoon spent thumbing through the qualification cards of the new Army here is more than a method of beguiling the passing moment and enlivening a humdrum career. It is a window on democracy. It is a bird's eye view of the occupations of the nation and is as encyclopedically stimulating as "I Hear America Singing" or the "Ballad for Americans."

There before you, like a map, are spread the farmers, machinists, accountants; the lawyers, steamfitters and teamsters; the truck drivers, the clerks. Yet, after the teachers and the professional entertainers, with or without singing dogs; even after the man who has spent the past year writing a novel, there remains a group whose occupations have been recorded on the cards with meticulous care.

Even after the excitement of the refugees and the four professional motorboaters, one of whom "sails by dead reckoning," there is a special interest engendered by the care with which the activities of a certain caddy are recorded, a caddy of whom it is said that he "carried bags of golf equipment around the golf course, delivering clubs to players as requested."

The infinite precision continues. The "second best" occupation of a certain selectee is given as "waiter, informal." You read further, not quite certain as to what an informal waiter is and with the growing suspicion that in this second best function your selectee was guilty of wearing a suit of banker gray.

It is recorded further that the selectee in question has "served food over counter and table." This precludes any wild notion that might have been entertained that he has served food on the floor, a custom prevalent only among the more artistic of the collegiate set. But the interviewer, ever unsatisfied, went even further into detail and the entry continues: "Cleaned dirty dishes (1927)."

A similar precision is evidenced in the case of the man who "traveled with a carnival five years." Success apparently at some time went to this man's head, for it is also recorded that he "acted as clown." "When?" leaps to your mind. There it is writ large and he who runs may read, "Acted as clown, 1941." You put away the card, wondering vaguely about 1942, but the recording angel has not yet dealt with that.

What a day used to be spent in his old civilian life by the young man who "used to shape damp hosiery on metal forms. Used steam to dry hose. Then remove them." What a second best occupation had he who was a "Wrecker" and who answered the question "Just what did you do?" with the simple "Houses."

It is recorded that a certain barber "held a license from Ithaca, N. Y. (off and on)" as if his license had been revoked from time to time for illegal haircutting. Of another man from the Narragansett Race Track at Pawtucket, R. I., it is recorded soberly that his profession was that of "Cashier, gambling. Paid off gambling debts at race track." It is also recorded tersely, with a faint overtone of pathos, that it was a "seasonal work."

It was a man-sized job that a certain private, now enjoying a well-deserved rest in one of the batteries of the Field Artillery Replacement Center used to hold. He "had charge of fourteen waitresses in a bar-room grill. He handled complaints; adjusted duties." But it was another man in the same battery who must continually have satisfied a boyhood ambition. He did nothing but make chocolate bars all day.

No discussion of this subject could pretend to be complete without some mention of those avocations that read like items in regimental supply. For example, there is the man who plays the "Spanish guitar in dances (square)". And we ought not to leave the qualification cards without referring to that fresh outlook on life that glows up from the prosaic card in the response of some bright-eyed soldier to the interviewer's question, "Highest position of leadership?"

"Bossed thirteen girls."

## Its Sergeant and Corporal and Jump to Obey in Norway Too

By PVT. HARRY MANN

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—The quiet, peaceful town of Esewoold in the heart of Norway, though an important center in its vicinity, was hardly known outside its immediate area. Suddenly in the spring of 1940 its name was emblazoned across the front pages of newspapers in every part of the world. This inconspicuous town, a few hundred miles north of Oslo, the suddenly Nazi-occupied capital of the Norse kingdom, had become the nerve center of the Norwegian resistance to the invader.

To this unpretentious provincial city the King and Crown Prince of Norway, their cabinet ministers, generals and admirals fled and set up a temporary capital. The Nazis were right behind them with their Stukas and Messerschmitts blasting the city from the air and their artillery laying down an endless barrage from the ground. The Germans were sparing no effort to wipe out the improvised headquarters of the Norwegian government and capture, if possible, the King and other leaders.

John J. Berg, A Battery, 10th Battalion, Field Artillery Replacement Center, Fort Bragg, N. C., a few weeks before the world shaking occurrences, braved the dangers of a trans-Atlantic crossing to re-visit his native city and see once again his relatives and boyhood friends. Ten years earlier, as a

young man just come of age, he left Esewoold and settled in Tonawanda, N. Y.

"Of course, there was a war on then, but who ever would believe that it would come to Norway!" Berg related as he spoke of his never-to-be-forgotten visit to his old homeland. "I had a chance to make the trip on a Norwegian freighter. The skipper was an old friend of the family and besides, I was anxious that my wife meet my folks whom she had never seen. We sailed from New York and crossed the Atlantic without trouble. The warring nations were evidently respecting the neutrality of Norway."

Pausing briefly, as thought to steel himself, he recalled the swift moving events of those awful days and nights in his native city.

"We had been in Esewoold only a few days," Berg continued, "and of course my joy and pleasure in seeing the old familiar sights and my old cronies was boundless. Everywhere, everything was normal and peaceful. Then, like a sudden bolt, we found ourselves fighting to keep alive. The town was pounded mercilessly and with hardly a let up by the Nazi planes and big guns. All the men and many of the women of Esewoold rallied to its defense."

"The chief worry of the Norwegians, however, was not the safety or even the retention of the town, but the safety of

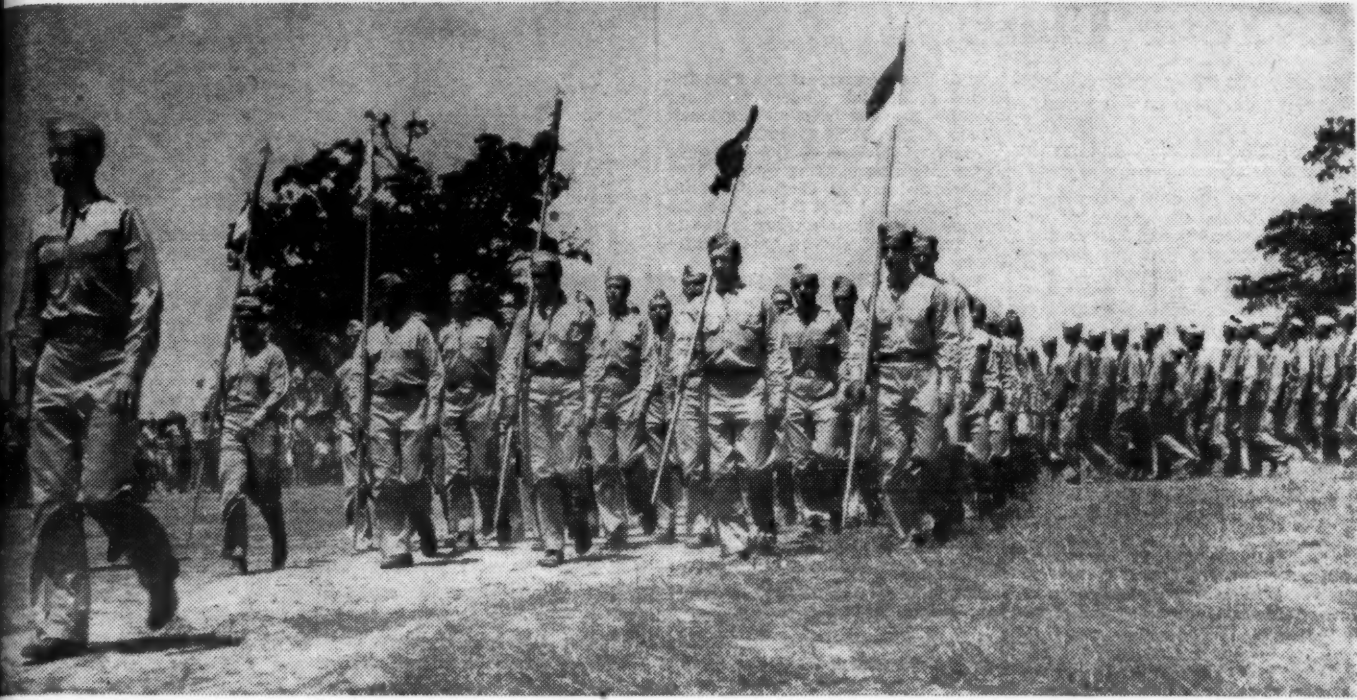
the Royal family and the government. The Germans relied on the fact that if the King and his ministers could be captured and put out of the way there would be little chance of any Norwegian resistance to them. And how right they were, for the King and his ministers did escape and have been directing the fight against the hated invaders ever since.

Esewoold is today a shambles and a mass of rubble. But it will always have a foremost place in the hearts of all Norwegians and all liberty-loving people because it enabled the Norwegian government to escape the clutches of the Nazis and place Norway in the ranks of the United Nations.

Berg has the distinction of having served in the armies of two democracies, one a republic and the other a constitutional monarchy. Before he came to this country he served his term of two and a half years in the Norwegian army, as all Norwegians are required to do. He wore a corporal's stripes for the last six months of his service. After Pearl Harbor, Berg, who is 34, volunteered for induction in the U. S. Army ahead of his turn. Today he feels quite at home. Armies, according to Berg, are pretty much the same the world over. "Why, in Norway we even use many of the same terms—a sergeant is called a sergeant and the same with corporal—and we jumped to obey them, just like we do here," he observed.



# 5th Division Became Active Unit of Army



BRAND NEW draftees, less than a week out of civilian life, swing past the reviewing stand like veterans as the 95th Infantry Division is activated at Camp Swift, Tex.

## General Twaddle in Command As Division Gets Under Way

CAMP SWIFT, Tex. — Maj. Gen. Harry L. Twaddle stepped forward Wednesday, July 8, to accept the standard of the 95th Infantry Division and declared his new command an active unit of the Army of the United States.

The division existed on a provisional basis, but, of authority of a presidential order dated February 6, 1942, came formally into being then when representatives of the component units assembled before division headquarters for a colorful activation ceremony.

A group of high military and civil officials were at Camp Swift for the event, among them Brig. Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, chief of staff, Third Army; Brig. Gen. A. D. Bruce, commander of the Tank Destroyer Command; Governor Coke Stevenson of Texas, and city and county officials from nearby Texas communities.

Col. Charles W. Mason, inspector general of the Third Army and an officer of the old 95th Division, presented the standard to General Twaddle, who delivered a short acceptance speech. Col. D. W. Brann, division chief of staff, read the official activation order and Maj. J. H. A. Borles and Capt. William C. Shure, division chaplains, also took part in the brief program.

During the afternoon the guests were taken on a tour of the new Bastrop County camp, and inspected the troops arriving to bring the division up to war strength. A "county fair" exhibit of weapons and equipment was arranged near headquarters and displayed to the general public, and barracks and mess halls were open for inspection.

The activation ceremony marked the end of a period of organization for the unit's officer and non-commissioned personnel, and the beginning of a period of intensive training for the selectees who will fill the ranks.

Activation of the new 95th was the latest development in a history that goes back to September 5, 1918, when the Adjutant General dispatched a letter to the commanding general, Camp Sherman, Ohio, instructing him to lay plans for the formation of a new division. On

October 24, 1918, Brig. Gen. Mathew C. Smith assumed command of the organization, then made up of the 189th Infantry Brigade, 190th Infantry Brigade, 170th Field Artillery Brigade, 358th Machine Gun Battalion, 320th Engineers, 620th Signal Battalion, and the 95th Division Trains.

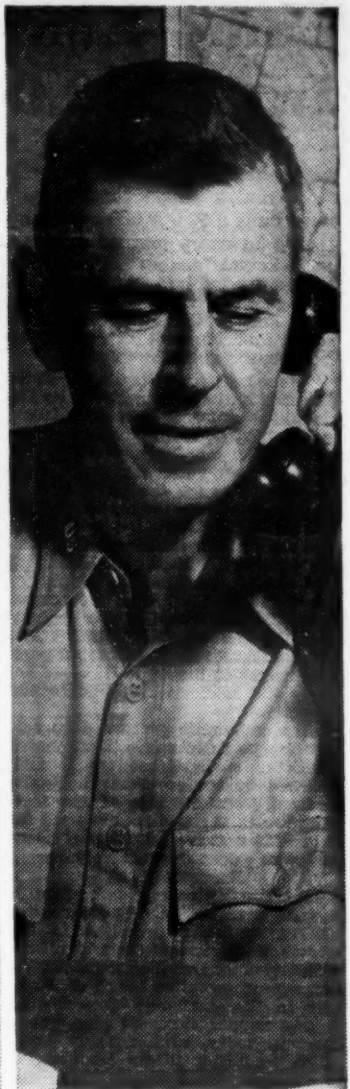
The division saw no overseas service and never reached full strength before it was demobilized on December 21, 1918. The artillery brigade which had 75 per cent of its personnel before the demobilization order came through in early December, was the most complete unit in the division and began its training at the firing center at West Point, Ky. General Smith remained in command of the division throughout its brief World War history.

The 95th again came into being, on paper at least, on August 8, 1921, when three officers were ordered to Oklahoma City, Okla., to organize a reserve division. On September 13 they set up shop in a borrowed office in the State Capitol and began their task of laying out a skeleton organization to be known as the 95th Reserve Division.

In March, 1942, the 95th came off paper again with the appointment of General Twaddle, then serving as G-3 on the Army General Staff, as commanding officer. Later a provisional division staff was assembled at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for a month's training course, while regimental, battalion and company commanders went to Fort Benning, Ga., and Fort Sill, Okla., for preliminary training and organization. On June 7 General Twaddle and his staff arrived at Camp Swift to supervise preliminary arrangements and a few days later junior officers and a training cadre reported for duty.



MAJ. GEN. Harry L. Twaddle stands before the national colors, waiting to receive the standard of his new command, the 95th Infantry Division, as a part of colorful activation ceremonies at Camp Swift, Tex. —U. S. Army Photo



MAJ. GEN. Harry L. Twaddle, former G-3 of the War Department, who has taken over command of the new 95th Infantry Division at Camp Swift, Tex. —U. S. Army Photo

### Marin Funeral

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Funeral services for Maj. Gen. Frank Marin, U. S. Army, who died on July 24, near Waynesboro, Tennessee, were held July 28 in the Fort Meyer Chapel. Interment with full military honors was in the Southern Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

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## Appoint Colonel Franks To Lend-Lease Job

Appointment of Col. John B. Franks, Quartermaster Corps, as Acting Director of the International Division, Services of Supply, relieving Brig. Gen. Henry S. Aurand, Director, was announced this week by the War Department.

General Aurand has been transferred to an important post which has not been announced. He has headed the International Division since its establishment March 9, 1942. The Division contains the committees which determine the amounts and types of Army aid to the United Nations and others under the Lend-Lease program, and supervises its distribution.

Colonel Franks, who was born in Leavenworth, Kansas, has been Deputy Director of the Division for the past two months.



MAJ. GEN. Harry L. Twaddle takes the salute of draftees passing in review at activation ceremonies of the new 95th Infantry Division at Camp Swift, Tex. Reviewing the troops are, from the left: Col. Marlin C. Martin, commander of the 379th Infantry; General Twaddle; Col. Charles W. Mason, inspector general of the Third Army who, as a member of the old 95th, presented the division standard; Governor Coke Stevenson of Texas; Brig. Gen. A. D. Bruce of the new Tank Destroyer Command. —U. S. Army Photo



# Camp Edward's 34-Branch PX In '2,500,000-Year Class

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Camp Edwards soldiers are conducting what is probably the biggest business enterprise on Cape Cod.

From a single canteen on the post in January of 1941, they have built a \$2,500,000-a-year business with 34 branches serving the troops in camp and at outposts.

The initial "mother" canteen here has propagated into 22 branches and two gasoline stations within the camp and 10 tent canteens off the post. And it's still expanding because business is booming.

This month, for instance, the Camp Edwards Exchange—to give it its official title—will take in about \$300,000, about \$40,000 more than the last comparable four-week period. The wage increase voted soldiers is mainly responsible for the jump, so it is likely to maintain the higher level of volume.

It's all soldier business and it's all the soldier's business. It's his money that's being spent and it's his money that's building up this vast enterprise. Post exchanges are integral parts of the War Department and thus subject to Army rules and regulations, yet at the same time are entirely the soldier's investments and property.

All merchandise purchased for sale at camp post exchanges is purchased with the soldier's money; it isn't financed by the government. Profits realized from the sale of the merchandise to the soldiers are used for expansion and the purchase of goods at lower prices through volume.

## Executive Staff

Like any big enterprise or firm, it has an organization. The exchange has an executive president in the exchange officer and his two officer assistants and a civilian manager. It has a representative board of directors in the Exchange Council and it has regular financial statements. Starting today, and monthly hereafter, according to its business, it also will declare dividends which will be issued solely for the benefits of the soldiers.

Head of the organization is Lt. Col. Howard S. Patterson, the exchange officer, who has held that position since last December. A reserve officer in the regular army, Col. Patterson was recalled to duty and reported on historic December 8, the day war was declared. Veteran of two years' service with the AEF in France in World War I, Col. Patterson was senior partner of an accounting firm in Boston prior to his recall to duty.

Assisting him are Major Nathaniel S. Carder assistant exchange officer, 1st Lt. John DeVries, special service officer, and Morton P. Francis, civilian manager.

The exchange council of which Col. Patterson is the executive president and treasurer, is made up of camp officers who represent the interests of all areas and units in the camp.

The whole organization is governed by strict Army regulations and policies.

## Employs 230

The Camp Edwards Exchange employs 230 civilians of which about 60 per cent are men. However, the percentage is slowly swinging to the ladies as the armed forces and defense industries are pressing the men into service.

Each canteen has a manager, an assistant manager and several clerks according to its size and volume of business. Included among the personnel are teachers, high school principals, housewives and others of many varied professions.

Their payroll amounts to \$20,000 a month.

To meet the needs of the soldiers and to provide them with a shopping center near their units, approximately

ly \$100,000 worth of merchandise is divided between the exchanges and the exchange warehouse. Last month's inventory showed that the canteens held \$60,000 in merchandise, with \$40,000 on hand in the warehouse. And there is a merchandise turnover about twice a month.

The vast buying power of Army post exchanges may be realized when it is taken into consideration that the post exchanges throughout the country do an annual business running into billions of dollars.

One office of the Army Exchange Service, is located in New York City, where the prices to be paid for merchandise are set by the purchasing division of the service. There contracts are made with manufacturers and prices agreed upon. Camp Exchanges then buy merchandise direct from the manufacturers at that price.

Post exchange prices are substantially lower than on the outside, according to Col. Patterson, who has conducted surveys and checked inventories on comparative prices. The only exception is the price of candy bars, with chain store competition too keen to meet.

A glance at a sales record for an average month gives an insight to the average soldier's purchases and reveals some interesting facts.

Soldiers, for example, have sweet teeth, love their beer and tonic, and go in for jewelry.

Figures based on a conservative cold weather month show that troops here ate 184,937 candy bars, 177,336 pieces of pastry, drank 182,904 cans or bottles and 223 half-barrels of beer and 96,264 bottles of tonic, and spent \$3,000 on jewelry.

A breakdown of other items for a monthly period show the following sales:

Cigarettes, packs .....	333,530
Cigars .....	69,240
Tobacco .....	9,645
Toothpaste .....	9,514
Razor blades .....	9,820
Shaving cream .....	3,685
Talcum powder .....	1,903
Shampoo .....	1,305
Shoe polish .....	8,223
Soap .....	10,641
Hair tonic .....	2,784
Stationery .....	5,085
Sandwiches .....	29,488
Milk .....	86,372
Ice cream (gals.) .....	3,598
Ice cream (5c pkgs.) .....	18,420
Cookies (pkgs.) .....	21,384
Popcorn .....	9,996

There are two specialized canteens on the post. The one near the Service Club features clothes, while the exchange at the station hospital includes a lingerie and gift shop.

One noticeable and important thing about the merchandise sold, is the absence of junky items and worthless trinkets so prominently displayed in outside shops of the same nature. Col. Patterson is constantly rejecting trick gadgets, worthless souvenirs and devices which represent wasted money.

The Camp Edwards Exchange also does a big volume of business in its special order department through which soldiers have purchased everything from baby carriages to diamond rings (or should that be the other way around?).

Through this department soldiers can order such items as washing machines, beds, radios and refriger-

ators. The department has been fulfilling orders for soldiers for many months and has been an important phase of the whole system.

Another sideline of the exchange is its extensive banking system. This department cashes checks for military personnel. That it is a headache branch and a troublemaker is due to the number of checks that bounce back.

The Camp Edwards Exchange was one of the very few exchanges to serve its troops on the southern maneuvers last fall. With headquarters at Ellerbe, N.C., it operated fifteen branches throughout the Yankee Division area to serve the YD and attached troops.

Today it does the largest volume of business in the whole First Service Command.

## 1-MAN ARMY

### All for One One for All

FORT ONTARIO, N. Y. — Cpl. Frank W. Dodge is thought to be in the smallest unit in the United States Army. He was recently transferred from the 1212th Service Unit, Fort Ontario, to the 1242nd Service Unit, Central New York Military District, and at present is the only enlisted personnel of this unit.

The 1242nd Service Unit is a newly activated unit with headquarters, for the time being, at Fort Ontario, N. Y., and has as its commanding officer Col. Willis Shippam, CAC, who is also commanding officer at the 1212th Service Unit.

In the transfer Corporal Dodge was promoted from the rank of private to his present status so that he is not only a "distinguished" soldier but a happy one as well. Already he has adopted a motto for his organization, "All for One and One for All." . . . Why not?

## Two Fort Bragg Men Save Two from Lake

FORT BRAGG, N. C., July 24—It became known today that as a result of their swimming ability and knowledge of first aid, two soldiers from the Field Artillery Replacement Center, Fort Bragg, N. C., prevented two deaths by drowning last week.

Privates Lou Trella, 39 Grunwald St., Clifton, N. J., and Irving Perlman of 1245 50th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., were swimming in the Fayetteville, N. C. country club when they noticed a group of swimmers in difficulty a considerable distance from shore. Trella, an expert swimmer, reached the group in time to bring an unidentified girl to safety.

James A. Haney, Fayetteville, N. C., had managed to get within a short distance of shore before sinking from exhaustion. Bystanders aided in bringing him in where Perlman, a graduate of the Replacement Center first aid course, took charge. Artificial respiration was started and after a short time brought Haney back to consciousness. Treatment for shock was administered and he was then taken to a Fayetteville hospital where he was dismissed the next day.

The action of the two men make them eligible for recommendation for the Soldier's Medal, a decoration awarded by the War Department. Both men are from Battery D, 11th Battalion, Fourth Training Regiment.

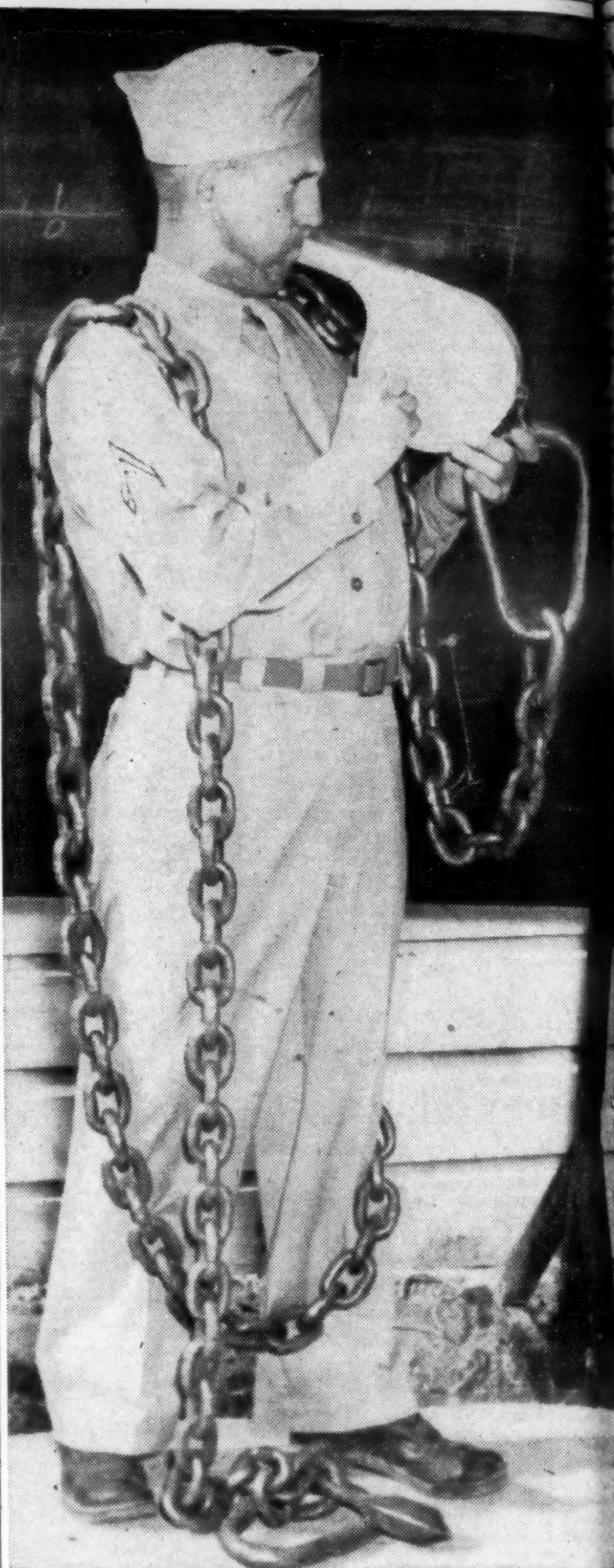
## FAST GOING . . .

### Last Week A Private Now a Captain

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif. — Who said a man can't climb fast in this Army?

A private in the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, John E. Harrigan was discharged last week to accept a commission as a captain. He's Captain Harrigan now, attached to a field artillery battalion at Camp Roberts.

A resident of Seattle, Wash., Captain Harrigan had several years of military experience in the National Guard. He enlisted in the Guard in 1924 and was commissioned a Guard officer in 1931.



THE 472nd ENGINEERS, an attached unit of the 38th "Cyclone" Division believe in doing things in a big way. In anticipation of Corp. Charles Sechler's promotion to first sergeant, his buddies presented him with a huge whistle, hanging quite appropriately from what appears to be an anchor chain. In the above picture Sechler blows an experimental blast on his whistle. He thinks it's sufficiently loud to wake the boys in the morning.

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## Nice Going Dad... We're With You

FORT MOULTRIE, S. C.—When M. Hughes, director of the 263rd Artillery Band at Fort Moultrie, was promoted from junior to warrant officer the other day, members of the band said, "Nice going, Dad."

They are Mr. Hughes' sons—Sgt. E. Hughes, 21, a clarinet and player, and Pfc. Ben M. Hughes, 19, a trombonist.

A third son, Harold, 17, a private in the Philippines up until November when the Army discharged him because of illness, sent his congratulations from the family home at 101 Edwin Street, Greenwood, S. C. "I'm really a homemade musician," said Mr. Hughes, a trumpet player. "I never took a lesson in my life. My boys learned their music from me—but they do pretty well now."

The new brown-gold chief warrant officer bars Mr. Hughes is wearing and their humble beginning before World War I when he was tooting away with the small-town bands at public concerts. The war saw him in England, France and Belgium with the 118th Infantry Band, 30th Division—a Union, S. C., outfit.

In 1930 he joined the National Guard at Greenwood as junior warrant officer to lead the band. That was almost 12 years ago. The boys joined the group shortly before it was pressed into active service in January, 1941.

Under Mr. Hughes' regime, the 24-man 263rd Band furnishes marches at ceremonies and, once a week as an orchestra, presents outdoor concerts on Wednesday evenings. It's everything from Debussy with obbligatos to "Boogie Woogie Piggle" with hot licks.

## New Packaging For Air Force Ration Light

According to a statement issued by Brigadier General Joseph E. Barzyny, commanding general of the Chicago Quartermaster Depot, a new type of Air Force Package has been developed by the Subsistence Research Laboratory for the U. S. Army Emergency "D" Ration.

For months the staff of the Subsistence Research Laboratory, which is headed by Colonel Rohland A. Isker, has been experimenting with different types of packages to satisfactorily fill the requirements of the United States Army Air Force. Some of the requisites for the new type of package were that it should carry a full day's supply of the Emergency "D" Ration yet be compact and small enough so aviators and members of crews could easily put them in their pockets; conveniently stow them in planes; and when in flight, be able to open the package easily.

This newest type of Air Force Package for Emergency "D" Ration is manufactured according to carefully prepared specifications. It is a paperboard carton specially coated, measuring 6 1/2 inches in length, 3 1/2 inches in width and 1/2 of an inch in thickness. It is so constructed and sealed as to be resistant to the most extreme temperature changes, vermin, moisture, toxic gases and other food-deteriorating influences.

One of the interesting highlights of the newly developed carton is that it will withstand 180 degrees bending without breaking and is extra hard sized throughout. The carefully prepared compound in which the package is dipped is odorless, tasteless, non-toxic and will not crack, chip, or otherwise become separated from the surface at temperatures varying from 20 degrees below zero to 135 degrees F.

The Emergency "D" Ration, which will be put into these new Air Force packages, is a concentrated bar made of chocolate, sugar, skim milk powder, cocoa fat, oat flour, vanillin, B1 150 I. U. The chocolate bar because of its ingredients will withstand temperatures running from 20 degrees below zero to 120 degrees F. Each bar contains food fuel value of 600 calories or a total of 1800 calories in all three bars; yet the net weight is only 12 ounces.

The new type of Air Force Package will make the Emergency "D" Ration even more popular. The "D" Ration has been welcomed by all military personnel because of its confectionery characteristics while proving adequately sustaining.

MIDLAND ARMY FLYING SCHOOL, Tex.—A bombardier who shivers in sub-stratospheric cold consumes six times as much oxygen as one who is equipped with the Air Forces' new electrically heated flying suit, according to information available at this world's largest bombardier college.

## Jackson Soldiers 'Mob' Luise Rainer



OVERCOME by their enthusiasm, soldiers of Fort Jackson swarm about Luise Rainer, one of the nation's leading film stars, after she had delivered a stirring speech for the sale of War Bonds and had entertained them with scenes from two of her greatest movie successes, at the USO Club in Columbia.

## Former M.C. Now Serves as Non-Com. in 81st Division

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—A son of the late Speaker of the House of Representatives and himself a former member of Congress and of the House Military Affairs Committee, 39-year-old J. W. Byrnes, Jr., of Nashville, Tennessee, is one of the Wildcat (81st) Division's newest acting non-commissioned officers.

Byrnes was inducted into the Army June 19 and arrived at Camp Rucker about a week later. He was assigned to the division's Military Police Platoon and has devoted much of his time to lectures to fellow M.P.'s on military laws and on the Articles of War.

Byrnes, a lawyer in civilian life,

served in Congress from 1939 to 1941, defeating his father's successor, Richard M. Atkinson. His Congressional district, then the Fifth, was comprised of a constituency of approximately 375,000 persons. It is now the Sixth Congressional District through a redistricting revision necessitated by the 1940 census.

Byrnes for 12 years had been a captain in the Army Reserve Corps. He is married and practiced law in Nashville, Tenn., for 14 years before entering the armed service. Byrnes' father was a member of Congress from 1908 to 1936. He passed away in 1936.

## Private Eddie Fuller Directs Pine Camp Theater Workshop

PINE CAMP, N. Y.—Pvt. Eddie Fuller, formerly with Frederic March in the "American Way" and Orson Welles in "The Cradle Will Rock" on Broadway, is doing five jobs at once these days with the Pine Camp Theater Workshop.

Eddie's day begins at 6:30 a.m., in the traditional "GI" manner, followed by a few early morning routine chores. He follows this with a session at the typewriter pounding out the book for "Hurry Up and Wait," a musical comedy about Pine Camp



WHEN JINX FALKENBURG, starlet and girl athlete inspected Camp Lee's Quartermaster Replacement Training Center she went in for a lot of hard work. Ignoring the usual "pretty picture" poses, Jinx toured the camp on foot and showed intense interest in learning exactly how Q-Men were trained to fill their military duties. She's shown here in the shoe repair shop where one of the men went into action on her footgear which had torn.

—Photo by Army Signal Corps

## Bernie Jr. to Take on Japs As Dad Battles Winchell

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 24—Maybe it's the air that Ben Bernie broadcasts over, or maybe it's the fights that he has with Walter Winchell, but one thing is certain and that is that the love of both the air and fighting have been inherited by his son, Jason H. Bernie. Young Bernie, a chip off the old block, has just entered the Army Air Force's Classification Center at Nashville, Tenn., as an aviation cadet.

Before entering the Army in March of 1941, Jason Bernie was a motion picture film editor and assistant director working for the Universal Studios in Hollywood. The Army immediately put him to work at Fort Monmouth, N. J., making films. "My work in the Army was exactly the same as it was in civilian life," said Bernie, "except that I got to bed and got up earlier, did more exercise, and in addition to other duties did a little K. P."

"I always loved the air," said Bernie, "and I wanted to get in it." I applied for Air Crew training and fortunately passed the necessary tests and received a recommendation from my commanding officer, so here I am."

When asked which branch of air crew service he wished, Cadet Bernie said, "I'd like to get into the branch for which I'm best qualified. I don't care whether it's bombardiering, navigating, or piloting—they're all important, and they all mean action."

At the classification center, Cadet Bernie will take psychological and physical examinations to determine the branch of service he will study, piloting, navigating, or bombardiering. He will undergo courses of physical training, academic study, and military drill, which will prepare him for the work that lies before him. The classification center will be the first stop in a training program that will eventually graduate Jason Bernie as a second lieutenant, with wings, in the Army Air Forces.

Bernie is the son of Mrs. Rose Roelbein, and Ben Bernie, the orchestra leader. He attended Culver Military Academy, in Culver, Ind., Milford Prep, in Milford, Conn. (where he was president of his class) and Rutgers University. "Dad and I are going to divide the work," said Bernie, "he's going to take on Winchell, and I'm going to take on the Japs. I think I have the easier job."

## Chico Field Sets Safety Record During Past Year

More than a year of student pilot training without a fatal accident has been completed by the Army Air Forces Basic Flying School at Chico Field, California, the War Department announced this week.

So noteworthy is the performance regarded by the Directorate of Flying Safety of the Army Air Forces that its chief, Col. Samuel R. Harris, Jr., Air Corps, has sent his congratulations to the commanding officer at Chico, Col. John K. Nissley, Air Corps.

"You are proving that the best time to practice safety is all the time," Colonel Harris said. "This splendid record is a magnificent contribution to the war effort."

In the little more than a year Chico Field has been turning out basic trainees, its student pilots have been aloft 94,335 hours, covering an approximate 13,209,700 miles, or the equivalent of approximately 500 times around the earth at the equator.

Most important, Chico's 100 per cent non-fatal accident record has made it possible to send all of its successful trainees into the advanced flying schools, on their way into service on America's battle fronts.

## GENERAL ORDER

Issued by General George Washington in New York, July 1776

The General is sorry to be informed that the foolish and wicked practice of profane cursing and swearing, a vice heretofore little known in an American army, is growing into fashion. He hopes the officers will, by example as well as influence, endeavor to check it, and that both they and the men will reflect, that we can have little hope of the blessing of Heaven on our arms, if we insult it by our impiety and folly. Added to this, it is a vice so mean and low, without any temptation, that every man of sense and character detests and despises it.

G. Washington





**THE GENERAL'S PEEP**—In streamlined modern warfare a general is always in the front lines. Maj. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow prefers a peep and, as anyone in the Blue-Gray Division which he commands will tell you, he rides it. General Gerow commanded the defending Red forces in the second problem of the first phase of the current Carolina maneuvers.

## Air-Ground Maneuvers On

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ments. By using light bombers and pursuit ships, we make sure that the information gets back to headquarters."

### Other Aviation Missions

Combat aviation may come to the support of ground forces just before contact with the enemy or during actual battle. It is also assigned missions of destroying or neutralizing more distant targets, with the object of preventing or delaying the movement or entry into battle of hostile troops.

Missions on which combat aviation may be employed profitably in support of ground forces include:

1. Reconnaissance bombardment, in which reconnaissance is combined with the bombing of targets located by the mission.
2. Attack on defensive organizations and field fortifications in the path of the supported ground forces. Missions of this type, however, are ordered when it is not practicable to use other means of attack, or when the time element is vital.
3. Attack on enemy reserves and re-inforcements. Air attack on hostile troops moving up to an operations area is valuable not only for the destruction it accomplishes, but as a blocking and delaying action, and for demoralization.
4. Attack on enemy mechanized forces. Important targets are the supply and maintenance elements so vital to armored and mechanized formations.
5. Attacks on hostile aviation missions. This type of activity is ordered only when other air force are not available for destruction or neutralization of hostile aircraft. However, enemy aircraft on the ground would be a prime target for our light bombers.
6. Support of parachute and other air-borne troops. This includes transporting troops, providing security for the troops while in air transit and during landings, as well as gaining and maintaining air control over the objective for the period of operations. Supporting bombardment is often used for initial attacks on enemy ground defenses.

### Up To Ground Forces

The decision to utilize aviation support for a particular ground operation rests with the commander of the ground forces. When a request for such support is made it must be weighed not only as to whether the objective can best be accomplished by air action, but whether the proposed target is of sufficient importance to the furtherance of the ground plan.

Among the factors entering in evaluating requests for air support are: location of the target, time limits within which the attack may be made, number of airplanes required and how many are available in the proper status of readiness, weather conditions, type of bombs and ammunition necessary to accomplish the mission.

As most of these factors deal exclusively with aviation, the recom-

mendation of the Air Support Commander will have great weight in the final decision once it is determined that the target or mission is important to the ground plan.

The state of readiness of flight of airplanes at support airfields is of extreme importance due to the fact that targets are frequently fast moving.

### Value of Observation Aviation

While the general rule of observation aviation is widely recognized, the possibilities and limitations of this type of support must be fully realized by the ground commander in order to make use of it. As this calls for extremely close cooperation, the observation unit commander acts as adviser to the ground force commander on matters pertaining to aviation observation.

While most observation missions depend on speed to complete their missions without having to go into action several high performance observation planes are in use that afford some protection from both enemy aircraft and ground fire.

In contrast to these are the liaison types, which are light, have low speeds and are without armament or armor. Their advantage is that they can operate from small areas, but because of the lack of defense are intended for action only over friendly terrain.

### Need Combination of Skills

Typical of the important functions of observation (liaison) aviation in rendering support to ground operations is in conjunction with long range artillery, to which air observation is attached where available. An air observer on duty with artillery must possess a combination of skills. As a pilot, he must be able to land in and take off from small and improvised landing areas. As an observer he must be familiar with artillery organization and techniques. He reports on the progress of fire and at times is even called upon to order fire by radio. In keeping a constant check on range and by adjusting the target the air observer enables the artillery to fire more accurately and rapidly.

Air support for infantry forces supplies observation missions for the location of enemy front lines to report the progress of fire and at times is even called upon to order fire by radio. In keeping a constant check on range and by adjusting the target the air observer enables the artillery to fire more accurately and rapidly.

Air support for infantry forces supplies observation missions for the location of enemy front lines to report the progress of battle, and to detect hostile penetrations.

Air messengers (liaison missions) are used under special circumstances to send urgent messages or information, but only when other channels are not available. Due to the vulnerability of the planes used for this type of operation, it is normally used only in friendly territory.

Observation aviation is of vital importance to armored and motorized forces because of their rapid move-

ment.

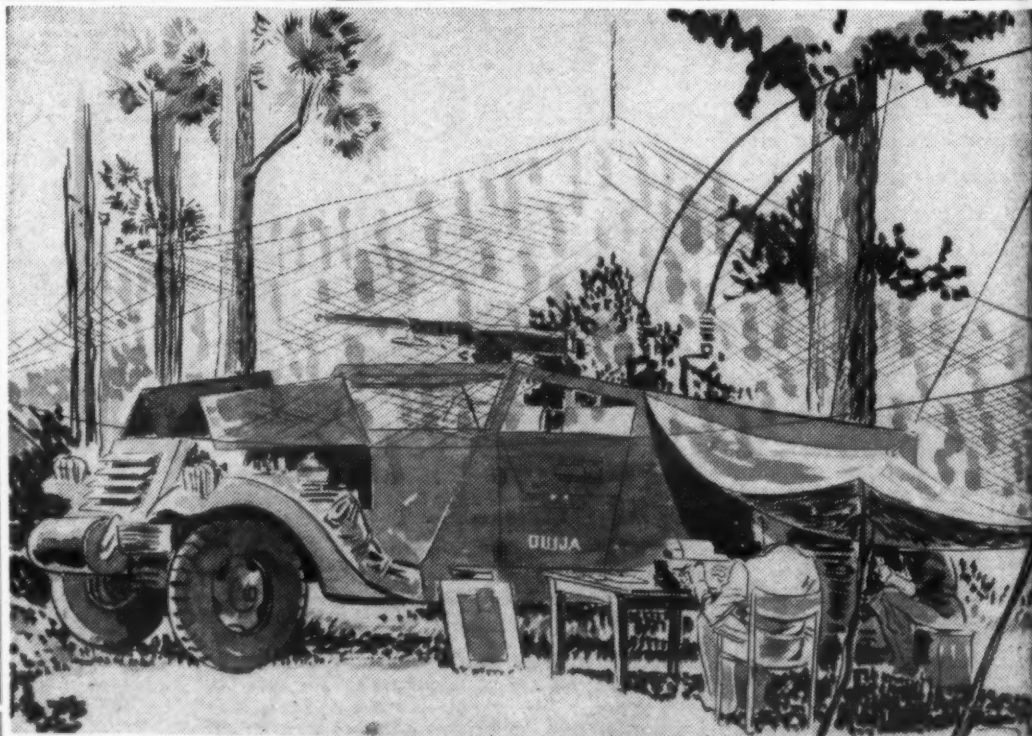
Aerial photography forms the basis for a large part of all intelligences. One of its basic functions is to provide information positive or negative, of the location and extent of enemy installations, supplies, troops, etc. The development of night photography has made this type of aviation support invaluable to ground forces.

It has been said that aerial photography by itself cannot win tactical advantages, but that the failure to use it properly may result in the loss not only of battle but of a war. The main function of airplanes used in photographic mission is to transport aerial cameras to and from the objectives, but many factors enter into the picture.

The ideal airplane for photographic assignments would be one of maximum speed able to fly at high altitudes with its operation assured by superiority of armament and maneuverability. As this ideal is not possible, a compromise has to be made.

Experience has taught that the best combination is speed and maneuverability at high altitudes. Mapping missions call for the same type of planes as above, except that it must be of longer range and have the ability to carry more and larger cameras.

Air transportation is usually



**HIDDEN AND HELPFUL** are the command posts dotted throughout the maneuver area. The nerve center of the action, from this headquarters comes the word to advance and the reports on the development of the problem.

## ON MANEUVERS

# Impossible Takes Longer Signal Corps Men Say

SOMEWHERE IN NORTH CAROLINA.—They hung in the air between the blue Carolina sky and the red clay. Their spikes were dug into every black telephone pole that stretched down the highway until the road made its bend. You couldn't see them beyond that point but they were perched up there too, like 'possums. And over several hundred miles of roads in North and South Carolina.

They didn't have much time, because the troops were due for maneuvers and the wires had to be put up. The general said so. And if a man felt slightly dizzy hanging fifteen feet above ground with a half-dozen tools dangling from him and a loop of wire around his neck, well he had to get used to it. His job was to get communication going and keep it going. He was in the Signal Corps.

Before the troops moved into the Carolina area, commercial lines carried the normal civilian load. But when thousands of troops moved into the sparsely populated area, the Army set up a spider-net of wires to handle its problem.

Carloads of wire and telephone poles waited at maneuver railheads for the 2½-ton Signal Corps trucks, which carried the equipment throughout the area. In the days that followed, post holes were dug and the poles set up, cross pieces anchored to them and the great reels of wire began threading above dusty Carolina backroads.

### 1500 Miles of Wire

To build the Army net, 1500 miles of wire and 2000 telephone poles were used. There are 10 Army switchboards—but that isn't enough.

The soldier-linemen must be prepared to establish communication for tent cities that are set up one night and hauled away the next. The wires must follow the troops.

To make this possible, the Signal outfits have rigged up a basic net that is flexible enough to reach eventually any single pine tree in an area of 3750 square miles. The com-

thought of in terms of its rapidity. However, it is faster than other methods only when the airplanes are under way. The coordinating and planning required for such movements usually cancel any advantage of speed by flight.

### Use of Air Transport

The chief factor in determining the use of air transportation for large detachments, therefore, is not the time element but the difficulty of reaching an objective because of its geographical location or enemy activity. The success of air transportation operations depends largely on the thoroughness of planning. Rehearsal and practice are vital.

The transport of parachute troops involves more than just carrying them to a jumping point over or near the objective. It is the function of support aviation to protect them enroute, supply their essential needs by air as needed, and supply

bat troops carry 600 miles of wire from bivouac to bivouac and all the equipment that goes with it—a kind of gigantic plug-in handset telephone. Wherever a regiment sets up house-keeping, phone service will be waiting.

### Jeep Does Its Stuff

The all-purpose jeep has its own job to do in the division and smaller units. With a bobbin of wire hitched on its rear, the jeep goes through open fields and paths in the forest depositing the vital wire as it goes. And when the going gets too tough for the jeep, the signal men carry the wire on their backs. The question isn't how to do it—but when does it have to be done.

The Signal troops in the maneuver area have their worries and the Field Manual won't answer all the questions. They must get there first with their wires and leave last when the command post moves. And then, somehow, they must race to the new command post and get their wires up before the troops move in. They must have their trouble-shooters ready 24 hours a day because a tank turret can snap a wire in the air and a half-track can break one on the ground.

### Use Iron Wire Now

Not only that, but the Signal men have learned a few things about priorities this year. During last year's maneuvers, copper wire was available and commercial telephone companies could and did chip in their tools and extra equipment. This year there is no extra equipment and little copper wire. So the linemen have been putting up iron wire, which is not as efficient as copper, and have solved the problems that resulted.

When the Signal troops have three days and three nights to lay a six-mile line and it's the general's order, they lay the line and wonder how they did it afterwards.

In the Carolinas, while training for harder "maneuvers" to come, the Signal men say: "The difficult was do right now; the impossible takes a little longer."

support bombardment at the objective when necessary to the success of the mission.

When an air transport problem calls for the actual landing of the air-borne troops at their destination, both gliders and airplanes may be used. Among the advantages of using gliders are their cheapness, the speed with which they can be constructed from non-strategic materials, their slow landing speeds, which enable them to land in small fields, and their silent approach.

Other uses for air transport in support of ground forces is in the dropping of supplies or landing them when no other means is practicable, and in furnishing aircraft for the evacuation of sick and wounded. For this latter operation, close cooperation is maintained with the medical units concerned. Airplanes used exclusively for carrying sick or wounded are marked in accordance with international law.



## Maneuvers and Supreme Court Keep Col. Murphy Busy

Special to Army Times

SOMEWHERE IN NORTH CAROLINA.—Lt. Col. Frank Murphy, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, will return to his bench duties in the fall but until then he is working long hours in the field and is known throughout the Carolina maneuver area as a soldier's soldier.

Assigned to an Armored Division, he is taking an active part

## Maneuver Moments:

# Nail Polish... Chiggers... Air Raids

ON MANEUVERS SOMEWHERE IN THE CAROLINAS—Hardworking soldiers, sweating under hot suns in the dust of the Carolinas during Army maneuvers of the VI Army Corps have a "must" article in their barracks bags—nail polish.

An almost microscopic red bug,

known as the "chigger" has inserted himself underneath many a sun-bronzed skin necessitating a scratch and dig detail when day's work is done.

Nail polish, covering the wound, seems to kill the bug thus eliminating the scratching.

siege conditions.

One of the most envied officers of a Texas Division, is Capt. Jack E. Hudson, personnel officer of an Infantry Regiment.

He has been selected as a member of the newly appointed staff of 800 regular Army officers and enlisted men who will comprise part of the faculty of the WAAC, and will serve as instructor in Administration for Officer Candidate school of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker, commander of the 36th (Texas) Division, announced to the members of his command today that for the balance of the maneuver period regimental, battalion, and small unit commanders will be authorized to select men from their organizations who have displayed unusual qualities for initiative and leadership for division honors.

Lt. Col. Frank Murphy, on temporary leave from his duties as Associated Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, has been granted leave from his Army duties to return to the U. S. Supreme Court.

## Midnight Hike Water Ration ---Maneuvers

SOMEWHERE IN THE CAROLINAS—In about an hour, thousands of troops in the 1942 North Carolina maneuver area will be moving along dusty Carolina roads on a midnite march. The hike marks the continuation of the division unit training planned for this week with emphasis on night reconnaissance and night patrolling.

Water during the entire week will be rationed in order to condition the men to actual battlefield conditions.

Such drill basic functions of discipline and protection in the field serves not only to further harden and condition the men, but will prepare them for the coordinated air-ground maneuvers beginning next week. At this time the full force of stream-lined modern war in which all armed units compete will be the foundation of the maneuver problem.

J. Melville Broughton, Governor of North Carolina, slept last night in an Army tent at VI Army Corps Headquarters. Up at 6 o'clock this morning, the governor breakfasted with Army officers in an Army mess shack. A sudden change in plans caused the governor to leave after breakfast on a plane for Fort Bragg. At Fort Bragg he will view a new type of Army demonstration.

Governor Broughton arrived at the Headquarters of the VI Army Corps last night as the guest of Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley. He had supper with General Dawley last night and was originally scheduled to make a general inspection of troops today in bivouac in the deeper sections of the maneuver area.

With Governor Broughton were Adj. Gen. J. Van B. Metts, State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson and State Senator H. P. Taylor.

Both General Metts and Mr. Johnson are from Raleigh. State Senator Taylor is from Wadesboro. He is also civilian coordinator for the present maneuvers in the state.

Signal Corps linesmen are quietly collecting honors for the great work they're doing putting up the network of communication needed by the Army in the maneuver area.

And a sight worth seeing is a jeep with a coil of wire at its back going cross country as the wire uncoils.

An interesting item is the news survey of what a soldier wants in the way of news in the field. First it's war news—what's doing on the global fronts of the world. Then comes sports, then home news. The occasion for the general survey was the beginning of a news bulletin to troops in the maneuver area, who many times do not see a newspaper or hear a radio broadcast for some days.



in the various maneuver problems and has already earned the commendation of his commanding officer, Maj. Gen. Willis D. Crittenger, who termed him "a hell of a good soldier."

Business of the Supreme Court is sent air mail to Colonel Murphy almost daily and this necessitates his arising an hour or more ahead of his fellow soldiers so that "I can keep abreast of the court business."

But there are many days when the troops are moving as early as 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning, or an all-night problem that keeps Colonel Murphy busy in the field. This means that he must catch up on the business before turning in at night or during rest periods that are allotted troops between phases of the maneuvers.

Colonel Murphy has found that his Army duties are not far different from ruling on cases submitted to the highest court in the land. "It's a decision either way," he said in a hurried conversation between moves of his unit.

### Gets "Tommy" Gun Instruction

They tell a lot of stories about the colonel. Like the time he went on the range for "Tommy" gun instruction. With single shots the colonel easily hit the dummy target so he tried firing the sub-machine gun in automatic position. The instructor and other officers nearby were a bit dubious. But not after the shooting was over—Colonel Murphy had riddled the heads of the three targets at which he was firing.

Colonel Murphy says he "wouldn't want any other kind of vacation," but it doesn't seem like a "vacation" to those who have followed him a day in the field.

He takes his warfare seriously—since his infantry training at Fort Benning, Ga., he has kept a day-by-day diary of all the subjects covered in his instructions. And at critiques held by Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley during the VI Army Corps maneuvers in the Carolinas, Colonel Murphy can be seen sitting near the front of the audience, busy scribbling notes on the problem being discussed.

En route to such a conference one night the car in which Colonel Mur-

phy was riding was traveling a bit faster than a Military Police highway patrolman thought was necessary. He stopped the car and warned the colonel about the excessive speed. The colonel apologized and finally was allowed to proceed.

"There was no appeal from that decision," said the Army's Supreme Court Justice.

### Proud of His Lean-to

Colonel Murphy is right proud of his "home in the forest" as he terms it. His improvised lean-to, fastened to a heavily gunned half track vehicle and two trees, affords the colonel shady coverage for his bedding roll. His "front porch" includes a small field desk which he transports with him and on which the legal problems of a nation are studied in an atmosphere that includes the rustling of branches, an occasional cloud of dust from a passing vehicle and the shouts of soldiers directing buddies to the hidden field kitchen.

Varied duties have come the way of Colonel Murphy during maneuvers. He has taken part in small raiding parties, has helped protect vital cross roads and, generally, been on the spot where there was excitement.

The colonel is at home in tank, scout car and jeep. He has driven them all and manned the guns they carry on operations.

One staff officer probably best explained the colonel's tireless activity when he said: "Our big job is keeping up with him. He wants to be everywhere at once and somehow he seems to succeed."

"If there is anything doing he hasn't seen before or if there is apt to be some excitement, look around for the colonel—he'll be there."

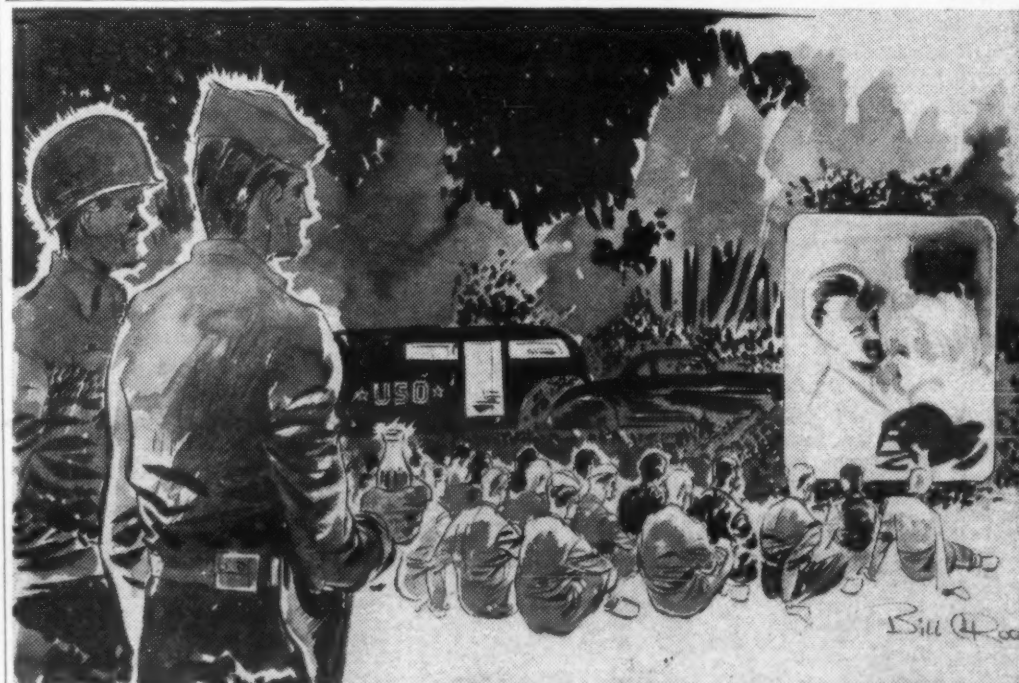
What are maneuvers? says the private. Chiggers and earth. First you get them; then you try to get rid of them.

The American soldier maneuvering in North and South Carolina knows the Carolina soil. He walks on it, he sleeps on it, he digs slit trenches in it. According to one report, he spends half his day accumulating the good soil and the second half removing it from his clothing, vehicles and person.

Landlocked for 24 hours in the Carolina woods, some 15,000 men of the 36th (Texas) Division went on with their normal functions in their first major rehearsal for a heavy "air" attack. Commanded by Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker, the famed Texas outfit is out to prove that it can sustain itself under simulated



MAJ. GEN. LEONARD T. GEROW, commander of the 29th Infantry Division, inspects his situation map during a maneuver problem. Keeping these maps up to date permits officers to direct troops into proper positions, be fully aware of the terrain toward which they are advancing. —U. S. Army Photo



TO USO THEY GO each night in the maneuver area as 10 complete units show 20 movies sometimes to as many as 20,000 soldiers in one evening. Glad to rest, the soldiers find real enjoyment in the new shows and keep abreast of their new stars.





**STRETCHING** for altitude, Tomasine Stanley, left, shows Tamea Henderson of the sub-depot office how to get in shape for the new radio and stage show now in rehearsal at Good-fellow Field, Tex. Personnel of the field will take the main parts in the production.

## Maneuvers May Be Last Rehearsal, Dawley Warns

WADESBORO, N. C.—"This may be the last rehearsal before the shooting starts for keeps for many of you," Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley, maneuver director, said, at the outset of the wartime maneuvers here this

month thru early September.

"No part of warfare will be omitted in the activity which will include two new phases—air-ground and the final cleanup action," he said. "Co-operative planning of infantry action—on the ground and in the air—is necessary for successful operations."

The maneuvers on a 24-hour basis will prove also that the training now is the beginning of preparation that is continued abroad, the general stated.

He warned of a streamlined program during the maneuvers when he advised the officers to "be prepared constantly for an attack." The Red Army, he said, was located in the Columbia, S.C., area at the start and prepared to move to the northwest while the Blue units were known to be concentrating in the vicinity of Asheville, N.C.

Developments on foreign fronts have been included in the training program, and the activities will be more important than those held last year.

## Tank Destroyer Battalion Has Radio School

By PVT. IRVING HIRSCH

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Streamlined radio communications within a mobile, fast-striking unit is the function of the battalion radio school which the 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, attached to the 43rd Division, has established to augment the work of the divisional radio school.

Designed to bring methods of relaying messages up to a par with the speed of modern warfare, the school is producing radio operators who work speedily and efficiently under the most adverse field conditions.

The ten-week course includes work in radio instruction, codes, sending and receiving, fundamentals and mechanics. The men are grounded in all types of field work.

A leading feature is instruction in sending and receiving from vehicles so that the communications system will keep up with the swift action on the battlefield. Orders will be transmitted in record time within the battalion organizations and from outside sources.

Supervising the class is Tech. Sgt. Horace G. Hendricks, who, along with battalion officers, established the school.

The class uses a day room, where apparatus has been set up. Earphone sets have been placed on tables, and the men take and transcribe messages. A "table" instructor is in charge of each table. Besides these, a regular staff of teachers, chosen from the companies, also aids.

Sgt. Hendricks, whose hobby was radio previous to induction, when he was a radio salesman, is proud of his school. He feels that "blitzkrieg" attack requires accelerated communication, and that his school contributes one feature to the streamlining process.

## Shelby Awaits Invasion of Army WACC's

By SGT. ROBERT LOFTUS  
CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Shelby's soldiers face an invasion, which they don't propose to resist.

It is a "feminine column" movement of WAAC's, who are scheduled to peacefully occupy a section of Shelby around the first of the year, according to information released by Mrs. Ovetta Culp Hobby, director of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, at a recent press conference.

Shelby, Mrs. Hobby indicated, will be among the first camps in the country slated to receive a detachment of the 3000 WAAC's who are to go on duty at Army posts in 1943.

Four of the WAAC's, due for assignment at U. S. Army posts, were sworn in at Camp Shelby, July 16 as officer candidates.

One of the candidates is the mother of a twenty-one-year-old son, Earl, Jr., who received his commission as an Army pilot two weeks ago, and the wife of a major in the Reserves, who expects to be called up soon.

Youngest of the officer candidate quartet is Mrs. William M. Shuttleworth, 21, of Jackson, Miss., whose husband is a technical sergeant with the Air Corps, "somewhere in Australia."

The other candidates are Miss Martha Rogers of New Albany, Miss., and Miss Cora Webb Bass of Hattiesburg, Miss.

### Duffy New SS Officer

#### First Service Command

BOSTON, Mass.—Capt. Bernard J. Duffy has been named Special Service Officer to succeed Lt. Col. John J. Donovan who has become Public Relations Officer for the First Service Command.

Captain Duffy, whose home is in Boston, was ordered to active duty from command of veteran's CCC company at Torrington, Conn., on July 20, 1941. He served as Adjutant, Portsmouth Recreational Area, Portsmouth, N. H., liaison officer with USO Camp Shows, Inc., and executive of Special Service, Headquarters, First Corps Area.

He had the distinction of being commissioned a second lieutenant Oct. 15, 1918, at the age of 19.

### CASH AND CARRY

## Bragg on Cash Basis But With Two August Paydays

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Amid mixed reaction of enlisted men, Fort Bragg will go on a cash basis August 1, continuing for a trial period of three months. This largest of Army posts is being used as a testing ground for the no-credit plan.

The first month of the trial period will be graced with two pay days, thus relieving any undue hardships that might be caused by the abandonment of the long existing credit system. A partial payment will be made in the middle of August.

Many men are looking forward to the new system with the thought that it will be an incentive to thrift and frugality. Some enlisted men feel that the sound of money in their pockets will be too much of a strain on them, while it makes little difference to many others who

report that they live within their pay each month anyway.

Involved in the pay-as-you-go system will be all theaters, Post Exchanges, organization-owned or operated activities and concessions authorized to extend credit to enlisted men. Thus cash-on-the-barrel-head will be demanded for movies, hair cuts, tailoring and recreation activities where fees or charges are levied.

Even to those who are a bit skeptical about the new system there is one feature about the plan upon which they look with favor. This includes the regulation allowing coupon books honored at Post Theaters to be sold for cash less 30 per cent, and Exchange coupon books to be sold for cash less five per cent.



THESE two lasses—Dorothy Wilkins and Mae Mathieu—are being trained in the art of handling firearms while working at the Sacramento Air Depot, McClellan Field, Calif. Their instructor is Gloria Jacobs, women's pistol shot champion. —Sacramento Air Depot Photo

## USO on Maneuvers Show Latest Pix

USO MANEUVER HEADQUARTERS, WADESBORO, N. C.—The streamlined USA service for Army maneuvers, an improvement over the service rendered in 1941 in the Carolinas, Louisiana and the Northwest, is now in its third week of operation and has proved a great success with the men in the field, says Carleton E. Cameron, national director of mobile service for USO.

The operation is conducted on a two-fold basis and is designed to care for the men in the bivouac areas during the rest periods of tactical problems and in the leave areas in

the small towns and cities when the men are allowed to leave camp.

The large mobile motion picture theaters and entertainment units work through the bivouac areas, bringing pictures just a few months from their Broadway premieres to soldiers bivouacked far back in the woods.

During the daylight, when pictures are impossible, the units play concerts of both popular and classical music. Impromptu regimental theatricals are broadcast over the loud speakers through the microphones.

USO Mobile Club directors who travel with the units offer prizes of a few packs of cigarettes or candy for the entertainers who get the most applause from their buddies.

Officers have also made use of the units to hold regimental meetings with their men and chaplains are utilizing the same equipment for Sunday morning church services.

### 20 Pix Shows a Night

Each of the field units in the fleet consists of a car and trailer. When at work the tow car spots the trailer in a good location and then, uncoupled, the tow car proceeds to another point and sets up for a second show. The ten units can in this way produce twenty motion picture shows nightly.

The units carry their own generators in addition to the projectors, amplifiers, sound system and screens. The films being used are current productions of Paramount Pictures, Twentieth Century-Fox, RKO Pictures and Universal Pictures. Short subjects and technicolor pictures are obtained from the same companies.

Much of the work being done in designated leave areas is financed by USO and is carried on under the direction of local defense councils. USO has assumed responsibility for certain expenses and has placed in the hands of local defense council chairmen revolving funds from which these expenses are to be paid.

### Tons of Supplies

Many tons of supplies were brought to the Carolinas Maneuver Area by USO officials. Included in the inventories are 4,500 blankets, 6,000 field mattresses, 60,000 bath towels, 5,000,000 sheets of writing paper and envelopes, 6,000,000 post cards, 100,000 cartons of cigarettes, tons of candy, 48,000 games, 14,000 decks of playing cards for both bridge and pinochle.

Towels are being furnished at many of the shower points, particularly in small communities, and laundry service has been set up to keep the supply moving.

A second fleet of mobile units is en route from the national headquarters of USO in New York to Alexandria, La., for use in the Louisiana maneuvers. As men start moving back to their bases from the Carolinas, units will be pulled out of service here and sent to supplement those working in Louisiana. Similarly, the units will proceed from there to the Tennessee Maneuvers and Desert Maneuvers.

Mr. Cameron has placed Lawrence F. Nolde, an experienced mobile service club director from Florida, in charge of USO maneuvers work in the Carolinas, and William McCandless will be USO director for the Louisiana maneuvers. Directors for the Tennessee and Desert maneuvers have not yet been named.



THE 69th School Squadron of the gunnery school at Tyndall Field, Fla., is going to be known unofficially as the "Eagle Squadron." Reason is the adoption as a mascot of a bald American eagle with a wing spread of eight feet. The big bird was given to Lt. W. C. Wood, C. O., by a restaurant owner in Canada. The lieutenant is a transferee from the RCAF. With him here is 1st Sgt. W. Hodges.



## BOOKS . . .

"Industrial Camouflage Manual,"  
Konrad F. Wittmann; Reinhold  
Co., N.Y.; \$4.

The "Industrial Camouflage Manual" is a report of the experiments and experiences that have developed in the classrooms and camouflage laboratory at Pratt Institute since the inception of the program in September, 1940.

The text, replete with sketches of model buildings and camouflage suggestions, contains studies on Principles of Bombardment and Effect of Explosions; Principles of Industrial Camouflage and Suggestions for Air-Protection Design; Landscaping with Natural and Artificial Trees; Hoods and Roofs Over Horizontal Tanks for Shadow Distortion; Shadow Confusion With Boards; Treatment of Parking Areas and many other forms of natural concealment.

"Shipbuilding Terms," American Technical Society, Chicago; 50 cents.

An introductory course to acquaint a trainee with the meaning of ship terms, locations and abbreviations of ship terms, which can be used as related assignments for trainees in specific shipyard occupations as well as for newly employed workers who are in training on a supplementary basis. There is a general glossary of ship terms, a section on abbreviations of general ship terms, drawings showing ship terms and locations, and assignment sheets and tests. After a careful study of this book, the trainee should acquire sufficient knowledge to enable himself to find his way around on a ship.

## Poetry By Francesco Bivona

For months, now, we've been getting some awfully good poetry from Pvt. Francesco Bivona. We printed some of it, and it's been reprinted in other papers (usually without credit), but we simply didn't have the space for most of his work until now. We really haven't now, but we thought this would be a good time to let you see it. We heard this week that Bivona was shoving off from Boston soon for parts unknown.—T. M.

### Pause

Tonight we do not sing  
But sit around and make no sound  
And think of everything  
Profound.

A world of men is out to spill  
The blood of people or their own  
While Time, possessing neither will  
Nor sense of being, turns to stone.

Tonight we do not sing  
But sit around and make no sound  
And think of everything  
Profound!

### Distress

Each time I dream of you the dragon  
Fear  
Claws consciousness into a sorry  
mess.  
Including Reason you are not sincere  
For seeing others who may love  
you less.  
(How do I know your fickleness, my  
dear?  
O, other dreams found roots—to  
my distress!)

### Comparison

The cat-like day would wash its face  
And scatter rain-drops over me,  
Then lick her paws, without a trace  
To show her uncivility. . . .

Till sun falls wild upon her head  
And clear skies bring her fur to  
view:  
While I with heart as thick as lead  
Compare Day's fickleness to You!

### Flight of Truth

The news now has no semblance of  
truth.  
What is today in favor of one,  
Crumbles like leaves dried out in the  
sun  
And seedlings stay long after the  
fruit  
Of conscience decays. The season  
tells  
Of coming rains or flurries of snow  
And of people, pride-driven, who go  
Fretful for peace, while within them  
swells  
The harbinger of good things or  
great  
Which lie like children no one can  
hate!

### Sleepless

I cannot sleep to think of those who  
must  
For sake of glory fall into the dust  
Relinquishing their dreams for those  
who make  
Of history a gory battle wake.  
I cannot sleep to think of those who  
must  
For sake of glory fall into the dust!

### Factual

God gave us minds to reason well,  
But none is willing to agree  
On anything except to see  
Their heaven under scars of hell.  
Ten simple rules of lasting fame  
Are still as true for us today,  
But we must stir ourselves to slay,  
If not default and live in shame.  
For shame it is to battle when  
The flesh can pity counterparts,  
Though brothers press into their  
hearts  
The will of devil-haunted men.  
God gave us nearly everything  
But all take turns in suffering!

## ARMY CHARACTERS

### The Chowhound

By Pvt. I. R. Milgrom, Troop C,  
106th Cavalry,  
Camp Livingston, La.

At the sound of his favorite bugle  
call he is off like a streak of light-  
ning.

He marches into the mess hall with  
alacrity—no matter how tired he  
may have felt previously.

Before the command "rest" is given  
he has already reconnoitered the  
table and taken an estimate of the  
situation.

At "rest" he is perpetual motion  
personified. His first words invariably  
are, "Pass everything!"

He then proceeds to load his plate  
with food until you can't see the  
plate anymore. As he sees the butter  
dish passing along, he chops him-  
self off a hunk—not wasting a move-  
ment.

With his fork he harpoons a couple  
of slices of bread. Fills up his  
second cup of lemonade while some  
men haven't had their firsts.

His mouth is now so full of food,  
his eyes bulging dangerously out of  
their sockets.

Everytime the waiter passes by he  
gives him a platter to fly up.

Too preoccupied, he is not much of  
a conversationalist at the mess table.

After a while he debates with his  
inner self whether or not he should  
empty out the potato platter (he has  
already emptied out the meat plat-  
ter). He does so and then reaches for  
his fourth slice of bread.

At last he is through eating—feeling  
tired but triumphant.

As he leaves the table the mess  
hall resounds from one of his lusty  
burps.

On his way out he complains about  
the cooking.

### DOUBLE STEEL!

MIDLAND ARMY FLYING  
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LEAPIN' LIZARDS!  
LOOKIE, SANDY! ISN'T THAT  
OUR OLD FRIEND,  
MAJOR FRANK MOORMAN?

ARF!



LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE paid a social call at Baer Field recently and left this cartoon with Major Frank Moorman, friend of Harold Gray, "Annie's" creator.

### Dedicate New Sig School At Crowder, August 11

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—The Midwestern Signal Corps School, recently activated here, will be formally dedicated Tuesday, August 11.

The program is designed to show the importance of the Signal Corps in actual combat and the vital role it is playing in the nation's war effort.

The dedication ceremony will be followed by open house with demonstrations of equipment required in

carrying on the functions of the "eyes and ears" of the Army.

Climaxing the activities will be a broadcast of the radio show, "Cheers From the Camps," which will present a cross-section of the training operations of both the Midwestern School and the Signal Corps Center here.

Ted Husing will be the master of ceremonies, and talent for the program will be selected from among the enlisted men and officers stationed here. The show will be broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System.

## Keep Cool Soldier

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La. — Keep cool, soldier—advises the Public Relations Section of the 28th Division at Camp Livingston—it isn't the heat that's getting you down, it's the mistaken measures you're taking to cool yourself.

To prove their point the publicists scoured a few facts from medics in the division and came up with the following quiz.

A score of 80 or less is good for prostration. Sixty or less and you're better off dead.

1. Which of the following methods would you follow in your efforts to cool off?

- (a) Eat hot tamales.
- (b) Drink beer and soda in great quantities.
- (c) Run naked in the woods.
- (d) Take an ice-cold shower.
- (e) Take a shower with the water at body temperature.

2. The 28th Division medics advise you to do two of the following things while on a road march. Can you pick 'em.

- (a) Cover your head with a blanket.
- (b) Keep mumbling aloud: "I am not warm. I am not warm."
- (c) Drink water sparingly.
- (d) Wave your arms vigorously to circulate the air.
- (e) Use salt tablets.

3. And what would you do if your buddy fell by the road from sun stroke? Would you:

- (a) Give him hot-foot?
- (b) Move him to a cool spot and remove or loosen his clothing?
- (c) Search his pockets for money and valuables?
- (d) Apply ice bags or wet clothes to his head until medical aid arrives?

Now let's see how you made out. The correct answers are:

1. (e) Always take a shower with the water as near body temperature as possible. This keeps the pores open and free to perspire. A cold shower, although momentarily refreshing, closes the pores, causing excessive heat and stopping the outlet for perspiration.

Drinking beer and soda will only afford temporary relief, and can cause cramps. Running naked in the woods would land you in the local

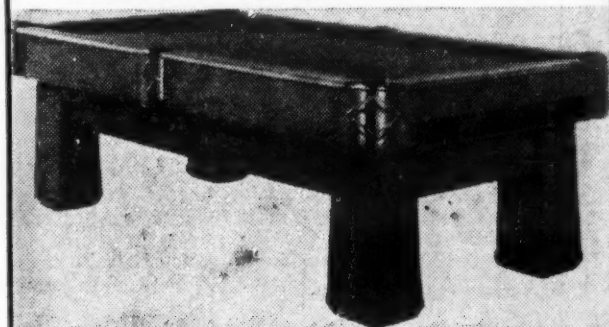
lockup, and eating hot tamales would drive you nuts.

2. (c) and (e) Never drink more than a few mouthfuls of water while on the march. The more you drink, the weaker becomes your resistance. Take one or more salt tablets before starting out, to replace the salt your body loses in perspiring.

Covering your head with a blanket or mumbling to yourself would indicate insanity. Waving your arms might indicate a stroke—never a stroke of genius.

3. (c) and (e) Sunstroke can be fatal or result in permanent disability if the proper methods of treatment are not immediately applied. Giving the victim a hot-foot or burying him would be a dirty trick, and searching his pockets would be taking unfair advantage of the situation.

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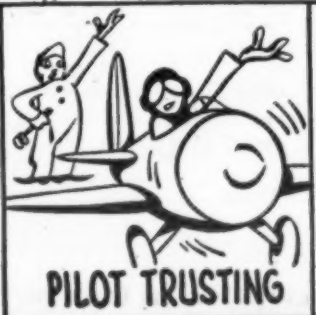
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# Maybe It's True, But . . . It 'Taint the Way I Heer'd It.

## Rubber Situation Solved

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (Special)—Much joy abounded in transportation circles at the Tyndall Field Army Air Forces Gunnery School when it was discovered that the rubber situation had been solved.

Pvt. Thomas C. Jones, a cadet-to-be, here on an unassigned status, was a student in chemical engineering at the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, when he entered the service. Naturally, his chemically inclined mind has been pondering the possibility of utilizing various substances as a rubber substitute. He's tried hundreds.

Today, this Edison-like perseverance had its reward when he ran from Mess Hall No. 2 screaming, "Eureka!" At last, he'd found the solution! Finally, the perfect substitute.

He had casually picked up a piece of Army toast at breakfast. He handled it, idly, carelessly. Then, by chance, he stretched it. It didn't break.

The inventor's happy gleam appeared in his eyes as he shouted, "That's it!" Just how much use will be made of the new "discovery" is problematical.

## They Never Forget

TURNER FIELD, Ga.—Take it straight from a man who knows—an elephant never forgets, and has the best memory of any animal known. So says Pvt. Walter Coakley, the man who knows, now stationed with the Army Air Forces at Turner Field.

Pvt. Coakley of Buffalo, N. Y., a mere small wisp of a man—5 feet 4 inches small, weighing a sparse 130 pounds—is accepted as the "smallest elephant trainer in the entire

country." Coakley, who pursued his tutoring of pachyderms for upwards of 20 years, bears many scars of battle as a result.

Pvt. Coakley has jaunted through every state in this country and through Mexico as well during his long career as trainer for circuses, elephant acts and private zoos.

"Elephants are my whole life," confesses Pvt. Coakley, "and after we tame Hitler & Co., I'm going back to elephants again!"

## A Little Upset

Pvt. John McGill of Fort Devens, Mass., is going to sneak a look over his right shoulder every time that "jeep" he handles goes over a bump. McGill was driving along in the "jeep" when a passing motorist yelled: "Hey, soldier, I think you dropped something back there." McGill snapped about and saw his erstwhile passenger, Lt. William Newell, picking himself up off the road and staring forlornly at his dented helmet and dusty clothes.

## Desperate Message

A major at Camp Wolters, Tex., lifted the receiver at the Battalion Headquarters to hear an excited feminine voice asking for her husband, a sergeant in Company C. "He's out right now, but I'll have him call you back," the major replied. A few minutes later the woman called again, same polite reply from the major. Unaware that she was even more excited, and asked for her husband. Again using a restricted phone, the frantic wife phoned a third time. "It's terribly urgent," she said, desperately. The major unselfishly declared, "I'll go look for him myself."

"Oh, thank you," she replied. "You see, his dinner is ready and it's getting cold."

## Stop Watch

Soldiers are a healthy, well-fed bunch, but the secret is out as to just how one private at Camp Shelby, Miss., gets more than his share of second helpings. The other day while on kitchen police duty he bet the mess sergeant that he could eat two good-sized melons in three minutes flat, any time. "What makes you so sure you can?" asked the sergeant. The private grinned, "Well, I just polished off two when you weren't looking."

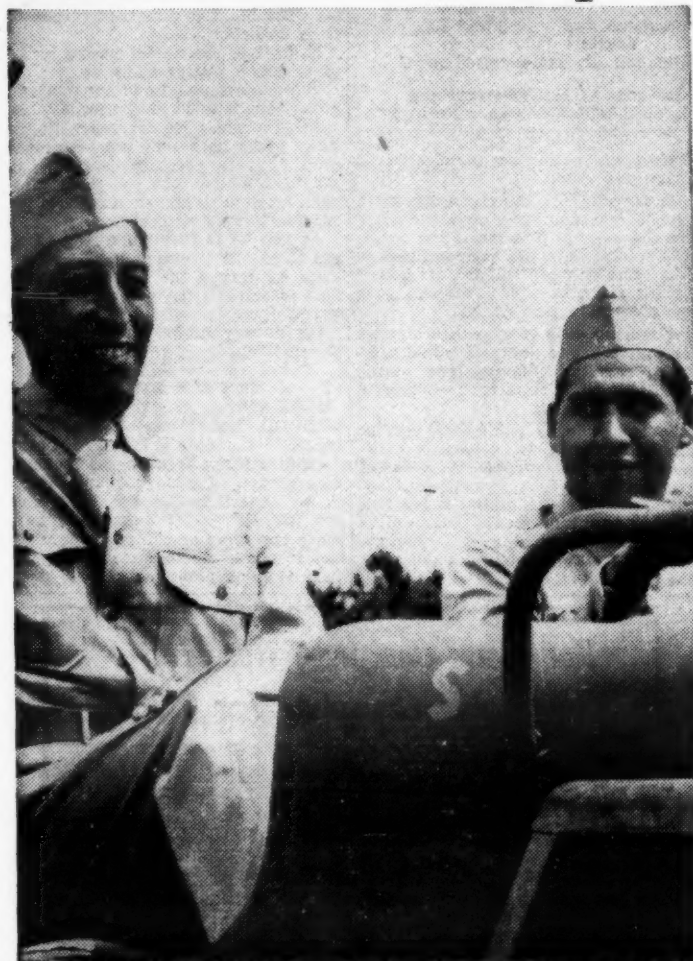
## Service With a Smile

Members of the 43rd Division who are assigned to the Signal School at Atlanta, Ga., are the envy of their buddies. For, pending the building of hutments, they are quartered in the town's leading hotel. The hotel service they receive reads like a soldier's dream come true. Their shoes are shined daily by the hotel porters, and instead of reveille, each morning there is a light tap on the door followed by the bell hop's announcement, "It's 7:30, sir!"

## Nice Work If You Can Get It

A private was walking past the Post Chapel at Fort Eustis, Va. A wedding was in progress. Suddenly an officer thrust a bag of rice into the private's hands, saying, "Throw this on the bride and groom as they come through the door." The private obligingly pelted the couple, murmuring as he threw: "Well, you certainly run into all kinds of details in the Army!"

# Indians Enter Camp —But Not for Scalps



CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Two hulking Indians stole up to a building in the Medical Replacement Training Center here the other day, looked cautiously around, entered. A half hour later they emerged looking well-satisfied.

Score—no scalps; one scared white pint-sized buck private.

It all happened when Pvt. Benjamin Big Eagle and Pvt. Ivan Dancing Bull were brought to MRTC Headquarters for auditioning for a radio show. Both huge and hulking, they brought the clerk's hair to an exclamation point—his closest association with Indians having been confined to Class B movies.

Recovering his voice from underneath a convenient desk, our small clerk friend quickly tossed off a couple of drinks of Hemo and iron-nerved, approached the Indians, pad and pencil in hand.

Results: Pvt. Benjamin Big Eagle, full-blooded Sioux and grandson of the chief, comes here from the Crow Creek Reservation in South Dakota, went to school at Fort Thompson, returned to reservation to farm. Danced in full costume each Friday at reservation dance. His grandfather, the chief, called all council meetings at which Ben could not attend—only the older men being members. Big Eagle does not like the Virginia heat, but has a lot of fun with the other soldiers, thinks he'll make a good medical soldier.

Pvt. Ivan Dancing Bull hails from the Grosventer tribe, whose reservation is Van Hook, North Dakota. Ivan went to school at Elbow Woods and Haskell Institute. He too was farming and ranching when Uncle Sam drafted him. Performs in the ceremonial dance which conforms to white man's New Year's Day. Prefers speaking Grosventer tongue to

English, but does very well with latter. Says that most of his people are firm believers in the medicine man of the tribe, who has to have a lot on the ball to gain his position, as the competition is very keen.

Both Big Eagle and Dancing Bull like being in the Medical Department, and figure the course of instruction they completed in the American Red Cross will help them in their work in the Army. They will be helpful to fulfill the mission of the Medical Department to conserve the fighting strength of the mobilized manpower.

## Army Finance School to Duke University

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Army Finance School was transferred this week from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., to Duke University in Durham, N. C., the War Department announced.

The move was made because of the expansion of the Finance Replacement Training Center, at Fort Harrison. Units moved were the Finance Officers' School.

Under the terms of the contract between Duke University officials and the War Department, the Finance School will occupy an entire quadrangle, classrooms in the Law School, and other training space.

# This Week IN ARMY HISTORY

## AUGUST 1

1876—Colorado admitted to the Union.

1884—The S. S. "Thetis," the "Bear" and the "Alert" escorted by vessels of the North Atlantic Squadron, arrive at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, with the six survivors of the Greely Arctic Expedition.

1919—Two Army planes originate fire patrol work in Oregon. In two months 128 fires were discovered and thousands of acres were saved from destruction.

## AUGUST 2

1905—The Army Signal Corps completes the Valdez-Seward cable in Alaska. . . a distance of 223 miles.

1908—First Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge, for whom Selfridge Field, Michigan, is named becomes the first Army Officer to fly alone. He remains aloft for 1 minute and 30 seconds.

1909—The U. S. Army Signal Corps purchases its first plane . . . a Wright pusher biplane, powered by a 4-cylinder, 25-horsepower motor, capable of the amazing speed of 40 miles per hour, and carrying two men for 125 miles.

1939—Two international records fall to the Army Air Corps, making a total of six world records and 15 national records captured by standard combat planes of the Air Corps.

## AUGUST 3

1492—Columbus sails from Palos, Spain.

1861—Beginning of the Army retirement system. Provision is made for transferring a limited number of officers to a retired list when incapacitated for active service.

1923—U. S. Engineer Corps completes harbor improvements at White Lake Harbor, Michigan.

1938—A Goodwill Flight of three "Flying Fortresses" from Langley Field, Virginia, to Bogota, Colombia, to participate in the inaugural ceremonies of President-elect Dr. Eduardo Santos.

## AUGUST 4

1876—General Crook, reinforced with Merritt's Fifth Cavalry, begins campaign to avenge Custer.

1897—President McKinley sends Captain Ray and Lieutenant Richardson to the Alaskan Gold Fields, with almost unlimited authority, to investigate conditions, in order that all possible aid might be rendered to the population of Alaska.

1921—Successful spraying of poison powder from an airplane over a grove of insect-infested trees demonstrated by Lieutenant John A. Macready, United States Army Air Service.

## AUGUST 5

1858—First message sent by Atlantic Cable.

1861—Congress abolishes flogging in the Army.

1886—United States Engineers complete improvements on the Fort Point Channel in Boston Harbor, which permits the establishment of new transatlantic steamship lines; with vessels of 8,000 to 12,000 tons dead weight.

1892—Army nurses of Civil War pensioned.

1898—General Hains, with the Fourth Ohio and the Third Illinois Volunteers, takes possession of Guayamas, Puerto Rico.

## AUGUST 6

1777—American flag displayed at the Battle of Oriskany, said to be the first time.

1861—Congress increases pay of private soldier from \$11 to \$13 a

# Former Silent Movie Juvenile, Now Private at Blanding

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—George Dallas Streeter, versatile 44-year-old writer, producer and actor of Hearne, Texas, who used to play juvenile roles in silent films with such celebrities as Mary Pickford, Pauline Frederick, Harold Lloyd and Wallace Reid, has volunteered his service to the Army, and is now in uniform at Camp Blanding's Recreation Center, awaiting assignment.

Asked why he enlisted, Streeter replied: "I am glad to devote myself at this time to our war effort, and will cheerfully serve wherever Uncle Sam desires to put me. This is a spiritual war; we are fighting so that freedom may live on forever, enabling all to enjoy the pursuit of happiness in their individual ways and so that future generations will not have to sacrifice their lives."

Pvt. Streeter hopes to devote his talents in the service to producing shows for soldiers, "simply because I feel more qualified to serve in that type of work, but if Uncle Sam has other duties for me I shall perform them as well as possible."

During the first World War, Streeter spent two months in the Army, and was in an officers' training camp when the Armistice was signed.

month.

1904—Due to the inventions and experiments of Captain L. D. Wildman, Signal Corps, radio communication is established between Nome and St. Michael, Alaska, a distance of 100 miles. These stations are the first in the world to handle business regularly over such a distance.

1939—Imperial Airways plane lands at Port Washington, Long Island, to inaugurate British transatlantic mail service.

## AUGUST 7

1782—The Military Order of the Purple Heart founded by George Washington as a reward for "singularly meritorious action."

1789—War Department officially organized.

1879—Twenty rounds of ammunition per month is allowed each soldier for target practice. Prizes and furloughs are to be given to the best shots.

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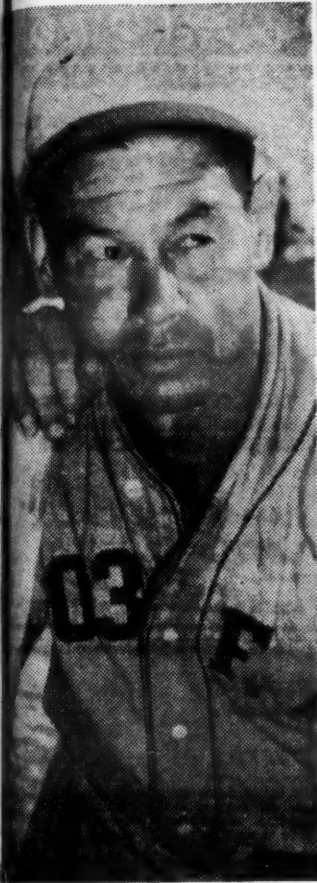
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# Bragg Swim Team Sets Up New AAU Relay Record

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—A Field Artillery Replacement Center swimming team of eight lieutenants went to Tarboro, N.C., July 29 and set a new National A.A.U. record for the 300-meter medley relay race.



The three-man relay team, consisting of Second Lts. Ed and Joe Rood and Davis Gammage, made the distance in 3:35.2 (3 minutes, 35 and 2-10 seconds), cutting 13 seconds off the American record.

Lt. Davis Gammage, Southern backstroke champion, swam the first 100 meters, backstroke. Lt. Ed Rood, breaststroke champion of the South, swam the second 100 meters, breaststroke, and his brother, Lt. Joe Rood, Southern champion in the 220 and 440-yard free style, swam the last 100 meters. Lieutenant Gammage attended the University of Auburn in Auburn, Ala. The Lieutenants Rood attended the University of Florida.

Lt. Ed Rood points out that it is the Army that has made the setting of this new record possible. Formerly these men swam for different universities and only now, under one banner, have been able to swim the three-man medley race together.

## Billiard Champ Will Spot Sharp Shooters

FORT CUSTER, Mich. — Sharp-shooting soldiers here were shown another kind of sharp-shooting on Thursday night, July 30, when Charles C. Peterson, the world's fancy shot billiard champion, put on a demonstration open to the public in the Fort Custer Field House at 8:30 p.m.

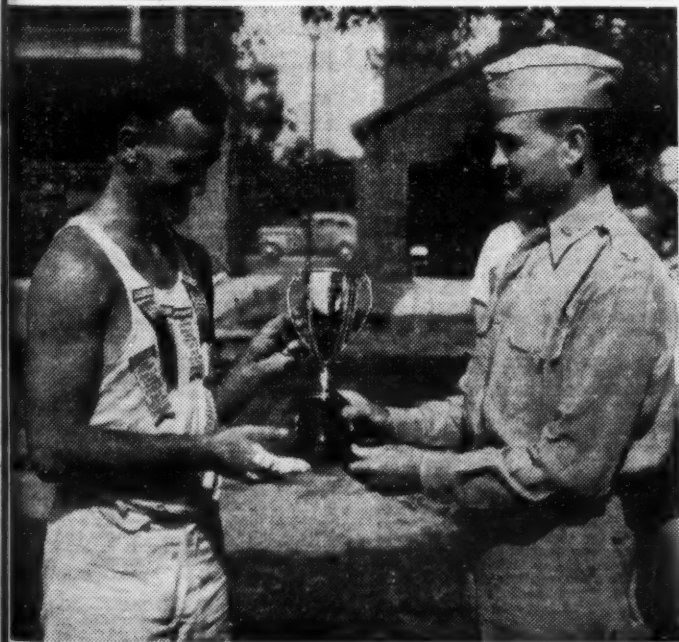
Col. George T. Shank, commanding Fort Custer, made the post field house available for the demonstration and opened the post to civilians after the usual visiting hours because of the uniqueness of the demonstration.

Peterson developed his show to a demonstration of billiard fundamentals, designed to show the beginner how to approach the game; opened his bag of "impossible" shots, and perform the favorite shots of such champions as Willie Hoppe, Jake Schaefer, Jr., Walker Cochran, and others.

Pete is touring American colleges and Army and Navy posts as a billiard missionary, under the auspices of the Billiard Association of America. His tour has the approval of Army and Navy officials and the Association of College Unions.

MEET the leading hitter of the 43rd Infantry Division at Camp Shelby, Miss. He's George (Chief) Wamo, full-blooded Cherokee of the 203rd Field Artillery aggregation. The outstanding hitsmith, boasting an average of .650 for the season, attributes his success with the bludgeon to "just swinging."

—Glover



FORT WASHINGTON, Md.—The Adjutant General's School at Fort Washington held a Field Day and more than 500 spectators enjoyed a program featuring entertainment with songs and gags. Opening the program was that veteran comic, Billy House, and part of his gang from the Earle Theater, in Washington, including the Oxford Boys, Impressionists and Bobby Jarvis. They entertained with songs and gags.

Candidate Jones of the Officer Candidates School was high scorer in the sports events and will have his name inscribed on a silver loving cup to remain in possession of his organization until the next field day.

Ribbons were awarded to the winner of each event by the post commandant, Col. H. C. Holdridge. Lieutenant Hutchinson, Post Athletic Officer, is the responsible person who handled the plans and the layout of the whole program. Judges were Colonel Stanley, Major Arnold, Maj. Roy W. Smith, Captain McLeod, Lieutenant Reynolds and Major Knowlton who lined up the entertainment.

## Work of Bragg Artist Sold During Exhibit

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Pfc. Frank Duncan, Jr., of the Field Artillery Headquarters battery here, was notified recently that his watercolor, "Spring, 1942," has been purchased.

The painting, now on display in the National Gallery of Art in Washington with other specimens of servicemen's art, is one of five Duncan watercolors accepted for the exhibit. The purchaser, George Howe, supervising architect of the Public Buildings Administration, has agreed to allow it to remain in the exhibit.

## According To Sergeant Hoyle

### POKER

POKER is the most distinctively American of all card games. And although a good knowledge of psychology is needed for successful poker, it is just as important to be familiar with mathematical chances in the game. The odds of drawing specified cards are exact, and barring imperfect shuffles, the odds will hold true on an average.

The lowest hand in poker is a seven, five, four, trey, and deuce of different suits, and the highest hand is a royal flush, namely the ace, king, queen, jack and ten of any one suit. Between these extremes there is a great number of possible hands.

To be exact, there are 2,598,960 possible poker hands in a 52-card deck, of which only 40 hands are straight flushes and only 4 are royal flushes. No wonder that a royal flush ranks highest, and that many men play poker all their lives without ever holding one.

Mathematical chances are particularly important when you are trying to better your hand in the draw. If you hold a four-flush, that is, four cards of one suit, you have 9 chances out of 47 to complete the flush. On the other hand, you have only 8 chances in 47 to fill an open-end straight.

It's easy to calculate these mathematical odds. You hold five cards, and thus there are 47 which are unseen, and the number of cards that can help you is then determined.

You have about one chance in 12 of making a full house when drawing to two pairs, and about one chance in 16 of making a full house when drawing to three of a kind. The chances of making a full house are about one in 120 if you draw two cards to a pair and an ace "kicker."

Holding one pair, you have about one chance in 8 of making three of a kind, and about one chance in 6 of making two pairs.

These are some of the basic mathematics of the game. Whether it is wise to draw or not depends upon many other elements, such as the number of players staying, which player opened, and many other factors.



MORRIS FIELD VETERAN is T-Sgt. Alvin (Doc) Williams eight years with the same squadron in the Air Forces. Team manager and squadron inspector, Doc has his team out front in the second half of the softball league. Air Force Photograph.

## M. P.s Taught Art Of 'Free-for-All' Drag Out Fighting

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—Chanute Field military police are being taught the not-so-gentle art of fighting to win by expert Hek Kenney, coach of wrestling at the University of Illinois.

It's rough and tumble boxing, wrestling and what-have-you that Kenney teaches at the weekly session in the sports arena here. Maneuvers include the Pearl Harbor handshake, double wrist-lock, wrist-breaker and techniques for knocking a gun from an attacker's hand.

The 138-pound Kenney demonstrates by applying his holds to and throwing a 175-pound physical training instructor.

He says the training will prepare

military police to defend themselves and to handle men.

## Three Private Beaches For Dix Doughboys

FORT DIX, N. Y.—With two private bathing beaches in operation for soldiers here and another under construction, the boys here are getting relief these summer days.

On Mirror Lake at Brown's Mill, N. J., servicemen completed a pool taking care of 1,000 men at one time. They drained the lake and cleared the bottom. Engineers built a 200-foot bridge to an island.

The soldiers then cleared the island, covered it with gravel and sand, drilled a well, constructed a bathhouse and USO canteen. Also open to soldiers is a beach at Island Heights on the old John Wanamaker estate which handles 500 men and has overnight facilities.

## 'March of the Red Legs' Composed at Pine Camp

PINE CAMP, N. Y.—Maj. Louis W. Blesser, post band officer, presented his composition, "Semper Vigilantes," or "March of the Red Legs," in its first public performance last week at Syracuse University.

Arranged by Pvt. John M. Barnett, former conductor of the New York City Civic Symphony Orchestra, "Semper Vigilantes" means "always vigilant," the motto of the Coast Artillery "Red Legs."

## Wildcat Colonel Opens Camp Bullseye Season

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Lt. Col. Edgar J. Tulley, commander of the First Battalion, 321st Infantry of the Wildcat (81st) Infantry Division, opened the range practice season of the Wildcats, now training here, by making the season's first shot a bull's eye.

The unusual feat, which presents a challenge to all other soldiers to keep the record equally high, occurred when the battalion commander shot offhand and hit the center—at 300 yards.

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# 500 Are Graduated at Claiborne's Engineer Officers Training School

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—The first exclusive engineer officer training school ever established in this country has produced 500 engineer officers at West Camp Claiborne in the past ten weeks, an announcement by public relations officers said.

## HICKAM HIGHLIGHTS

HICKAM FIELD, T. H.—Headlining the list of events at Uncle Sam's largest Pacific air base for the past few weeks was the review staged to decorate several Hickam soldiers for gallantry in action during the Japanese air attack on Hickam Sunday, December 7, 1941. One Hickamite, Cpl. Edward C. Lohr of Jackson, Miss., was decorated with the Silver Star, "for gallantry in action."

Sixty other Hickam Field soldiers from the Air Corps, Medical Corps, and from the Quartermaster Corps were awarded the order of the Purple Heart for "having been wounded while performing meritorious acts of essential service, and for outstanding performance of duty during the Japanese attack on the island of Oahu 7 December 1941."

Those who were awarded the Purple Heart included 1st Lieut. George E. Boyd, Tulare, Calif.; 1st Lieut. Roland F. Holbert, Granger, Texas; 2nd Lieut. Elton C. Heffley, Dekalb, Texas; W. O. Phillip K. Head, W. O. Ralph T. Ullrich, T/Sgt. Robert C. Owens, Westover, Pa.; T/Sgt. Edwin K. Lyle, T/Sgt. Salem M. Drake, Cochton, N. Y.; T/Sgt. David Suppes, Jr., Fort Collins, Colo.; T/Sgt. John W. Lynch, Philadelphia, Pa.; S/Sgt. Loys C. Hedglin, San Pa.; S/Sgt. Tony Bruce, Cannonsburg, Pa.; S/Sgt. Loys C. Hedglin, San Antonio, Tex.; S/Sgt. James B. Ellick, S/Sgt. Charles W. Hoddar, Kearney, N. J.; S/Sgt. Ludwig C. Wolfert, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sgt. Tommie W. Yeagan, LaJunta, Colo.; Sgt. Leslie G. Strunk, Pottstown, Pa.; Sgt. Thomas J. Price, Utica, Miss.; Sgt. Roy G. Brewer, Johnstown, Pa.; Tech./4 Donald L. Ralph, Hartford, Ky.; Cpl. Jerome Hons, Sweet Home, Tex.; Cpl. Joseph P. Oravetz, Leadville, Colo.; Cpl. Walter G. Gese, Emerado, N. D.; Cpl. Gleason L. Hamm, Spring Grove, Pa.; Cpl. Glen W. Lingle, Donglay, Ill.; Cpl. Herman Boyd, Wellint, Wis.; Tech./5 Robert F. Hinterlitter, Johnstown, Pa.

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First interviewed by experienced Army engineers from the Engineer Organization Center here under command of Brig. Gen. John W. N. Schulz, the men came from east, west, north and south—all joining in one common cause, furthering the nation's plan to defeat the Axis.

Trained at the school, a part of the organization center, which itself is unique and new, the officers now command engineer troops who come to the unit direct from the induction stations.

Unlike an engineer replacement center, the engineer's organization

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Several men were mentioned in the citation, but were not present to receive their decorations. The absentees included Col. Henry H. Reilly, S/Sgt. George T. Dwyre, Spring Valley, Ill.; Sgt. Vincent Bonina; Sgt. Richard X. Chabowski; Pvt. Vito Verdi, Cochton, N. Y.; and Pvt. Armond F. Gueths, Fond du Lac, Wis.

center here is one which trains regiments in general and special service duties, assigning them as regiments to whatever theatre of operation or within the country at a post wherever the War Department might see fit to send them.

The officers, almost wholly and with the exception of regular officers who were assigned to the organization center from other posts, are civilians who were selected because of their engineering experience.

Heading the officers' school here is Lieut. Col. Lloyd C. Ritchie, an engineer officer with years of experience. Assistants are also engineer officers, some of them from Washington, office of the engineers' corps. They are: Capt. W. H. Van Atta, Capt. S. R. Kelley, Capt. F. Zitzer, Capt. R. T. Dodge and Capt. R. W. Koontz, who were chosen for these posts on last April 20.

The 500 graduating officers represent 36 of the 48 States with Texas leading the list with 42 officers and Illinois second with 37, out of the first group of 398 full-time student officers.

One hundred and two students took a part-time course supplementing previous training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and Fort Belvoir, Va., home of Army engineer replacement centers.

Students ranged from second lieutenants to lieutenant-colonels. In addition to these, medical officers and chaplains were sent through the school, to familiarize them with rudiments of soldiering in the fast-expanding Army.

## Pickett Pickups

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Two thousand seven hundred and fifty-one nails lost their opportunity to flatten Camp Pickett tires one morning as a result of a policing maneuver executed by Top Sgt. Peter V. Mercilliot's "men-in-fatigues."

Ever since the parking lot next to post headquarters at this new post first was used, the pointed perils to rare rubber have been sniping at the tires of cars, making no distinction between those owned by officers and enlisted men.

So, the officers offered a prize for the most nails gathered, and the enlisted men went to work. First prize went to Private Larson, who in less than 30 minutes picked up more than 900 nails. The total number retrieved was 2,751.

The Army Directory Service offers as testimony to the fact that Americans haven't lost their sense of humor, the following notations on envelopes of letters addressed to soldiers at Camp Pickett.

Sgt. R. L. Ellenberger received an envelope which carried in the upper left-hand corner, the words: "If not delivered in five days, try harder on the sixth."

Another, addressed to a private in the 79th Division, bore the plea: "Watch this boy as it is the first time he has been away from home, and he may get lost."

Until a bigger one comes along the claim of Pvt. George W. Shirley, 79th Division Infantryman, gives him the camp's mail call title. In single mail call, Private Shirley bagged 15 letters and two packages.



SGT. GUSTAV CALIPER

AIR-MECHANIC EXTRAORDINARY, WHO THIS WEEK BECAME THE FIRST HONORARY MEMBER OF THE "BOMBER BIRDS" FRATERNITY.

SGT. CALIPER WAS ENDEARED HIMSELF TO THE FLYING PERSONNEL OF THE FIELD BY HIS MANY LITTLE HUMOROUS TOUCHES, SUCH AS THOUGHTLESSLY SWITCHING THE IGNITION WIRES OR LOOSEENING A TURNBUCKLE ON A CONTROL CABLE



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## FUNG KWOK KEUNG

### Trained With Chinese Army, Wants To Go Back Now

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—When the 28th Division boards a transport, Pvt. Joseph Rinehart, 24-year-old selectee from New York, hopes it will be headed for the Far East where he has a debt of kindness to repay on the war-ridden plains of China.

Rinehart is the living contradiction of Kipling's claim that "East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet."

The "twain" met twenty-three years ago, when Rinehart, then four months old, was adopted by a benevolent Chinese restaurant owner at Rockaway, N. Y., after his mother had abandoned him. For fifteen years Rinehart resided at his foster parents' home in China, was a member of the Chinese army and learned to eat with chop sticks before he saw a knife or fork.

He hasn't forgotten the Japanese bombings of Nam Hoi, the little town where he lived in southern China; remembers the ruins he saw at Canton as he goes through the bayonet drills at Livingston. He startles his buddies occasionally by shouting Chinese invectives while slashing the air with the blade.

Rinehart's life story reads like a fantasy concocted by a Hollywood scenarist.

#### Returned Four Years Ago

His foster father, Fung Fong, named him Fung Kwok Keung years ago. He was educated in missionary schools in China and when he came back to his native country four years ago he could only speak Chinese. Since then, however, he has mastered the English and speaks it with only a slight accent of the tongue he spoke for years.

Rinehart knows from experience what the Chinese people have endured in the five years of warfare with Japan. He was in training with the Chinese army before his foster father wired him passage here.

Most of the Chinese boys, like himself, were without uniforms. There was a pitiful lack of arms, and those that were in service were antiquated models. But the Chinese spirit was high, Rinehart says, and the many

times the poorly equipped Chinese boy would engage the enemy armed with an old sword or a rifle which had long outlived its usefulness.

#### Sure China Will Win

There is no doubt in his mind that China will win the struggle against Japan. All she needs, he says, is more material. She has the men and the determination.

When he was inducted into the U. S. Army last March the transition from chowmein to just plain chow was agreeable. He did run into amusing difficulties at first, however, when he began writing to his Chinese friends in their own language.

There is a Japanese internment camp situated at Livingston, and the mail officials raised their eyebrows when they saw the suspicious-looking scratchings Rinehart had turned out. Scenting an espionage plot afoot, they sent for him on the double. Everyone breathed easier after an explanation, and the letters were passed.

Private Rinehart thinks the best English words he has learned are "I do." He married the former Catherine Dages, who now lives in New York.

His name, Fung Kwok Keung, means "strong nation" in Chinese. He is inclined to agree.

### 'You Tell 'Em, Soldier' Program Wins Plaque

FORT HANCOCK, N. J.—Station WHN received Army recognition and a bronze plaque recently from Brig. Gen. Philip S. Gage, commander of New York harbor defenses, for service to army morale through the "You Tell 'Em, Soldier" program.

General Gage presented the plaque during the weekly program in the Service Club. "You Tell 'Em, Soldier" is a quiz program featuring Tiny Ruffner as master of ceremonies. Soldiers, picked at random from the personnel of the post, are asked questions submitted by soldiers.



# 9th Cavalry Holds 9th Anniversary

PORT CLARK, Tex.—"We can, we will," is the motto of the 9th Cavalry. The motto has made the history of the regiment as it has fought for.

The regiment this week celebrated its 9th anniversary with competitive athletic events, a barbecue, a dance with music furnished by the regiment's orchestra.

The history of the regiment is a chapter in the settlement of the West, of the days of Geronimo, Indian fighting, smuggling across the Grande, and warfare to enforce neutrality laws of the United States. The 9th Cavalry was established by act of Congress in 1866 and the approval of President Andrew Johnson.

In 1868, part of the regiment was moved to its present station, Fort Clark, later moving to New Mexico to leave the 8th Cavalry. In one year covered 8000 miles capturing Indians, lawless Mexicans and white regades.

Years later the regiment patrolled Texas, Nebraska, Utah, Colorado, Kansas and Oklahoma. In 1889 the lost its first colonel, Edward Mich, who had been its commanding officer since 1866.

Upon declaration of war with Spain in 1898, the regiment left its home stations for Fort Tampa, Fla. thereafter it embarked with the 4th and 6th Cavalry for Cuba where maintained a high service record.

At the end of the war the regiment returned to the United States. It was then dispatched to the Philippines to perform escort and scouting duties. When the Philippine Insurrection was over, the Pacific coast became its station. In 1904 part of the troops were sent to Fort Riley, Kas., where they became trainers for "pokies" at the Cavalry School.

Garrison duty in the Philippines came next in 1907. On the regiment's turn, it was stationed on the Arizona and New Mexico borderlines with Mexico. It went a third time to the Philippines in 1916, remaining there until the end of the World War. The 9th Cavalry left Manila for home by way of Nagasaki, Japan, and Honolulu in 1922. Again divided, part of the regiment went to Fort

Huachuca, Ariz., to merge with the 10th Cavalry. The rest traveled to Fort Riley again to act as service troops for the Cavalry School.

By a recent order the regiment was reconstituted at Fort Clark from where it is ready to go anywhere in the service of its country.

## Miami Beachcombings

By PVT. ERIC FRIEDHEIM

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Swimming has just been made a compulsory activity for recruits undergoing their basic training at the Army Air Forces Replacement Training Center.

Reorganization of the instruction program calls for two hours of physical training and athletics every day for all trainees. Every man will be required to "hit the beach" every other day. Those who can't swim will be taught. Life saving classes will be held for those already adept at aquatic sports.

Poets, ping-pong players and pistol phenoms are among the latest arrivals. Pvt. Earl Mohn, of Wilmington, Del., has been notified that Harper's Bazaar is publishing several of his verses. Pvt. Rudolph Bernstein defeated Olympic table tennis champ Clark Coleman in a feature match this week at one of the recreation centers. Cpl. Stanley G. Pennypacker is a crackshot with the pistol and participated in the last international shooting competition in New Jersey.

Uncle Don of radio fame, who before he was drafted, amused the kiddies by reading the funnies over the air, is now lecturing to recruits. Instead of interpreting the antics of Popeye and Blondie, Uncle Don, or PFC Al Thaup as he's known to the Army, now talks about chemical warfare.

Brothers Samuel and Herbert Fleischer are as close as clock-hands at six-thirty. They were partners in a filling station in Brookline, Mass., and decided to enlist. At Fort Devins, they were assigned to the same squadron. After arriving at Miami, they were moved into the same hotel room. Both hope to get to officer candidate school.

Pvt. Robert Webb came to Miami Beach via the race tracks at Hot Springs, Empire, and Aqueduct and is now wearing the "silks" of the Air Forces. Having traded in his saddle for what he hopes will be an aerial gunner's berth, ex-Jockey Webb is up to boot Uncle Sam home a winner. He has a sure tip in the World War II Sweepstakes: United Nations to come from behind in a terrific stretch drive.

## Grapeleaf Humor

By Pvt. Irving Hirsch

WITH THE 43RD INFANTRY DIVISION, CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Southpaw Pfc. Vimmie Coleman of the 169th Infantry sat fuming in the kitchen, as he clumsily piled the potato peeler with his left hand. The instrument, ordinarily effective and efficient, cut deeply into the flesh of the potatoes as the sweeping motion moved away from the K.P.'s body with inept strokes. The perturbed K.P., rightfully indignant, was suddenly unable to control his grievance. "Have you a left-handed potato-peeler?" he inquired of the mess sergeant.

A soldier in Company C, 118th Engineers, returned from a date with a local belle thoroughly disgruntled. His mates were unable to understand the new shower room floor being cemented, the resourceful soldier had squeezed his ample frame into a tub and arduously scrubbed and soaped to he might glisten and shine. He had departed immaculate and whistling. The heartthrob had not been home, evidently unaware of her admirer's tortuous preparations.

Pvt. Louis Carreiro, a barber in the 118th Engineers, Company C, will be cutting hair and shaving and trimming with the conveniences of a stationary shop when on maneuvers. Cpl. John Savage, squad carpenter, has constructed a wooden case with individual compartments for scissors, shears, combs, clippers, razors and lotions.

Company I of the 169th Infantry happily volunteered for guard duty last week. Walking dejectedly about the area, the company members prepared for a 25-mile hike, designed to keep them on their feet from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. The 1st sergeant appeared and prepared for the worst, as he requested volunteers for 24-hour guard duty. The response, ordinarily unenthusiastic, swept him off his feet, as the members crowded about him. The guard was determined in five minutes, but 25 soldiers marched out at 8 o'clock, remorsefully wondering why they had had to hear the news for guard duty one minute after it had been mentioned by the 1st sergeant.

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# Somervell Streamlines Service Commands

CHICAGO, July 30—A three-day conference of the Commanding Generals of the Army's nine Service Commands with Lieut. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, Commanding General, Services of Supply, began here today at the Palmer House.

The meeting follows the reorganization order issued last week which redesignated the nine Corps Areas as Service Commands and laid down a program to decentralize and expedite the operations of the Services of Supply. The Service Commands are identical geographically with the nine former Corps Areas.

Such meetings usually are held in Washington. This conference was taken to Chicago by General Somervell to conform to the policy of the Office of Defense Transportation which urges the avoidance of meetings in the Capital to relieve the transportation burden.

## Services Field Agencies

The Services of Supply, of which the Service Commands are field agencies, is charged, in general, with securing, supplying and transporting troops, war material and equipment for the Army.

The conference will be devoted to consideration of the reorganization plan and methods to improve efficiency of operations by increasing the authority and responsibility of commanding generals in the field and by eliminating duplicating activities.

The basic mission of the Service Commands is to render assistance in all matters of supply and administration to the Army Ground and Air Forces and to Defense Commands within their geographic boundaries. This new organization assures prompt response to the requirements of troops and relieves troop commanders of a burden of administrative detail.

## Commanding Generals

The Commanding Generals of the Service Commands follow:

**First**—Maj. Gen. Sherman Miles, Boston, Mass.; **Second**—Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Terry, Governors Island, N. Y.; **Third**—Maj. Gen. Milton A. Record, Baltimore, Md.; **Fourth**—Maj. Gen. William Bryden, Atlanta, Ga.; **Fifth**—Maj. Gen. Fred C. Wallace, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio; **Sixth**—Maj. Gen. George Grunert, Chicago, Ill.; **Seventh**—Maj. Gen. Frederick E. Uhl, Omaha, Neb.; **Eighth**—Maj. Gen. Richard Donovan, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; **Ninth**—Maj. Gen. Kenyon A. Joyce, Fort Douglas, Utah.

General Somervell, in instructions to Commanders of the Service Command, said:

## Functions Indispensable

"The supply, personnel, administrative and other service functions for which the Service Commands are responsible as field agencies of the Services of Supply are indispensable to the proper conduct of this war.

"Unless recruits are properly classified and assigned, the tactical and training units which receive them are hampered in the execution of their missions.

"Unless troops in training are quickly and completely supplied and equipped, the training programs are impeded.

"Unless field commanders are relieved from responsibility for administrative detail, they cannot give their full attention to their troops.

"Unless the functions of internal security and intelligence are efficiently handled within the zone of the interior, the safety of the country is endangered."

The decentralized plan of organization is designed better to carry out these functions.

General Somervell was accompanied to Chicago by members of his headquarters staff in Washington, and the Commanding General of each Service Command brought two officers from his staff.

# U. S. Tokio Raiders Get China Medals

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Military Order of China was conferred by Major General Shih-Ming Chu, Military Attache of the Chinese Embassy in Washington, on three wounded officers of the Army Air Forces who participated in the aerial raid on Japan on April 18 last.

Presentation was made at Walter Reed Hospital to Capt. Harold F. Watson, pilot, West Hartford, Conn.; Capt. Ted W. Lawson, pilot, Los Angeles, Calif.; and First Lt. Charles L. McClure, navigator, University City, Mo.

All three were wounded in a plane crash some time after the raid. Previously they received the Distinguished Flying Cross, as well as promotions.

Among those present at the ceremony was Brig. Gen. James H. Doolittle, commanding officer of the group that raided Japan.

# Army Explains Allowance For Soldiers' Dependents

Unit commanders throughout the Army will inform all military personnel of the provisions of the Servicemen's Dependents Allowance Act of 1942, including penalties for fraud and false representations, the War Department announced Thursday. Payment or acceptance of any

part of such funds for services rendered in connection with obtaining them is punishable under the law, it will be pointed out. The Allowance and Allotment Branch, Adjutant General's office, Building "Y," 20th and B Streets, N. E., Washington, D. C., is charged with all administrative work on family allowances authorized by the Act.

The Act authorizes the payment of monthly family allowances to certain relatives and certain dependents of enlisted men of grade four and below (private, private first class, corporal and sergeant) upon application in writing by the enlisted man, or by or on behalf of the relatives and dependents concerned.

Under the terms of the Act, a soldier's wife may receive an allowance of \$50 per month where there are no children, \$22 of this being deducted from the soldier's pay, and \$28 being contributed by the Government. In the case of a wife and one child, the Government's contribution will be \$40 in addition to the \$22 deducted from the soldier's pay, making a total of \$62 per month. For each additional child there will be an allowance of \$10 per month, contributed by the Government.

## First Payment Nov. 1

The family allowance will accrue as of June 1, 1942, for men who were then in the service. The first payment, however, will not be made until November 1.

In the Class A group of dependents (wife and children) both the enlisted man's deduction of \$22 and the Government's contributions are compulsory upon filing of the application, if approved.

If there is no wife but one child, the Government's monthly contribution will be \$20 in addition to the soldier's deduction of \$22. In the case of no wife but two children, the Government's contribution will be \$30 with \$10 per month for each additional child, in addition to the \$22 deducted from the soldier's pay. If there is a former wife, divorced, to whom alimony has been decreed and is still payable, the Government's contribution will be \$20, in addition to the soldier's \$22 deduction; however, both contributions will be reduced if the amount of alimony is less than \$42 a month.

## Class B Optional

Payment to Class B dependents is optional with the enlisted man. This group includes a grandchild, parent, brother or sister who is dependent upon the soldier for a substantial portion of his support. In these cases, \$22 a month, or \$5 if he is already contributing \$22 to Class A dependents, will be the soldier's contribution, and the Government's monthly contribution will be \$15 if there is one parent, \$25 if there are two parents, and \$5 will be contributed by the Government for each grandchild, brother and sister.

The total allowance to be paid to Class B beneficiaries, however, will not exceed \$30 per month. Where such allowances would otherwise exceed this figure, a proportionate reduction in each will be made.

Allowances to Class B dependents are to be granted only while the prospective beneficiary is dependent upon the enlisted man for a substantial portion of his or her support. Class B payments may be discontinued upon written application of the enlisted man.

While \$22 is the amount to be deducted from the enlisted man's pay as his contribution where either a Class A or Class B allowance is made, the deduction will be \$27 per month where both Class A and Class B allowances apply. These amounts are prorated to beneficiaries, and added to the Government's contributions.

## Terms Are Defined

Under the Act, the term "wife" means a lawful wife; "former wife divorced" means a former wife divorced who has not remarried, and to whom alimony has been decreed and is still payable. The term "child" includes a legitimate child; a child legally adopted; a stepchild, if a member of the enlisted man's household, including a stepchild who continues as a member of the enlisted man's household after death of the mother or termination of the marriage; and an illegitimate child, provided the enlisted man has been judicially ordered to contribute to such child's support, judicially decreed to be the putative father of such child, or has acknowledged under oath in writing that he is the child's father.

The term "grandchild" is limited to a child to whom the enlisted man had stood in the relationship of a parent (in loco parentis) for a period of not less than one year prior to his enlistment or induction.

The term "parent" includes grandfather and grandmother as well as father and mother; also stepfather and stepmother; father and mother

through adoption and persons for a period of not less than one year prior to the man's induction into the service, stood in place of a parent (in loco parentis) to the man concerned. Not more than two persons in this group may be designated to receive an allowance, and in the absence of a designation by the enlisted man, preference will be given to those who actually exercise parental relationship at the time of or most nearly prior to the enlistment of the man's entrance into active service. If such parents are not dependent or are not an allowance, preference may be given to others within the family who at a more remote time actually supported the enlisted man prior to his entrance into service.

The terms "brother" and "sister" include half brothers and half sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters, brothers and sisters through adoption.

The terms "child," "grandchild," "brother," and "sister," are limited to unmarried persons under 18 years of age, or else incapable of supporting themselves by reason of mental or physical defect.

## Adjust Other Allotments

Whenever necessary, the ordinary Class E or other formal allotment of pay will be discontinued or reduced so as to insure that the enlisted man's pay will be sufficient to meet his contributions under the Act, and permit him to have a minimum credit of \$10 per month on pay day for his personal needs.

An eligible enlisted man who entered upon active military service since June 1, 1942, will be entitled to the benefits of the Act only if the first of the month next following the date of filing his application with his organization commander.

Allowances may be paid or continued to be paid to the authorized beneficiaries of eligible enlisted men who are reported missing in action, interned in a neutral country, leaguered, besieged or in the hands of the enemy.

## Dependents May Apply

A definite effort will be made to see that applications for family allowances are filed by all enlisted men with known Class A dependents. In case the enlisted man refuses to file such application, the facts in case will be reported by the unit commander, together with his recommendation to the Allowance and Allotment Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Building Y, 20th and B Streets, N. E., Washington, D. C. The Allowance and Allotment Branch will provide to known Class A dependents every opportunity to file application for family allowances on their behalf.

# Baseball Scores

## SATURDAY, JULY 25

**American League**  
Washington, 10; Cleveland, 6 (13 in.).  
New York, 7; Detroit, 2.  
Philadelphia, 3; Chicago, 1.  
Boston, 9; St. Louis, 5 (10 in.).

**National League**  
Cincinnati, 6; New York, 6.  
St. Louis, 6; Boston, 3.  
Pittsburgh, 4; Brooklyn, 1.  
Chicago, 4; Philadelphia, 1.

## SUNDAY, JULY 26

**American League**  
Washington, 2-1; Cleveland, 0-7.  
New York, 5; Detroit, 2.  
Chicago, 2-2; Philadelphia, 1-3.  
St. Louis, 9-4; Boston, 2-3.

**National League**  
Brooklyn, 3-5; Pittsburgh, 2-3.  
Boston, 5-3; St. Louis, 2-5.  
Philadelphia, 4-6; Chicago, 3-1.  
Cincinnati, 4-2; New York, 2-1.

## MONDAY, JULY 27

**American League**  
Boston, 8; Cleveland, 5.  
**TUESDAY, JULY 28**  
Washington, 9; St. Louis, 4.  
New York, 5; Chicago, 3.  
Boston, 3; Philadelphia, 1.

**National League**  
Brooklyn, 7-1; St. Louis, 6-9.  
New York, 9-3; Chicago, 5-0.  
Cincinnati, 8-3; Philadelphia, 1-1.  
Boston, 4; Pittsburgh, 3.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

**American League**  
Washington, 11; St. Louis, 10.  
Cleveland, 7; Boston, 6.  
Detroit, 12; Philadelphia, 7.  
Chicago, 6-7; New York, 5-5.

**National League**  
Pittsburgh, 3-3; Boston, 0-6.  
Chicago, 4-1; New York, 2-3.  
Brooklyn, 4; St. Louis, 3.

# League Standing

## THRU WED., JULY 29

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Pittsburgh	43	52	.453
Boston	41	61	.400
Philadelphia	37	68	.294

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	67	31	.684
Boston	55	43	.561
Cleveland	56	46	.549
St. Louis	52	49	.515
Detroit	48	52	.480
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Washington	40	60	.400
Philadelphia	40	64	.385

# Sergeant York's Sweetheart (In Film Only) Is Sponsor



CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—Having been named by the officers and enlisted men of the 327th Infantry as their regimental "sponsor," Miss Joan Leslie, Warner Bros. film star, this week presented the regiment and its various units with autographed pictures of herself. (Not the one above.)

The youthful screen player, who had the feminine lead in "Sergeant York," posed before a large reproduction of the "All-American" insignia of the 82nd Division in which the 327th plays an important fighting role. The "All-American" being Sergeant York's old division, there is more than just Hollywood "idolatry" in the choice of the celluloid "Mrs. York" as "sponsor," according to Colonel George S. Wear, commanding the 327th Infantry.

Co-incidental with the arrival of Miss Leslie's photographs, came an autographed picture of Sergeant Alvin C. York, who presented his photo to the men of the regiment. York's old regiment, the 328th, was disbanded with the activation of the 82nd Division in March, 1942.

During the filming of his World War I exploits, Sergeant York became friendly with Miss Leslie, who played the part of his sweetheart and wife in the film. Although she has been invited to visit Claiborne, it is not expected that Miss Leslie will arrive here in the near future because of picture engagements.